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## Snake eyes

## Budget boosts key to containing Guam's brown tree snakes

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Above left: The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services division on Guam is working to prevent brown tree snakes, like the one shown here, from hitching a ride on ships and aircraft and spreading to areas with no natural snake populations. Above right: Michelle Limtaco, a wildlife specialist with the USDA Wildlife Services division on Guam, works with canine partner Grommit to inspect cargo. On Oct. 30, President Bush signed a bill authorizing up to \$15.5 million for snake-related programs beginning in fiscal 2006.

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# News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Red Sox fan death:** The officer who fired a pepper-spray pellet that killed a woman in a raucous crowd of Red Sox fans was aiming at another fan but missed, police said Friday.

Police on Friday also identified the shooter, Officer Rochefort Milien.

In an update of its investigation into the death of Victoria Snelgrove, police said Milien fired his pepper-spray pellet gun at a fan during an Oct. 21 disturbance, but missed. The shot hit Snelgrove in the eye, fatally injuring her.

**West Nile virus:** After two record-breaking years of West Nile virus illnesses and deaths, the nation is experiencing a relatively mild season, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said.

CDC data shows 2,282 people have been sickened by the mosquito-borne virus and 77 have died. This time last year, there were 8,219 illnesses and 182 deaths.

The virus went on to sicken 9,858 and kill 262 in 2003.

**John Hinckley Jr. outings:** The relationship between John Hinckley Jr. and his former girlfriend needs more study before any decision is made about allowing the would-be assassin of President Reagan more time away from a mental hospital, government psychiatrists said Friday.

But Hinckley's therapist and a senior hospital psychiatrist said Hinckley has overcome the breakup and no longer poses a danger to himself or others.

Questions about Hinckley's relationship with Leslie deVau — the former girlfriend — dominated the fourth day of a hearing on Hinckley's request to spend several days at a time away from St. Elizabeths Hospital in Washington, where he has lived since being found not guilty by reason of insanity in the 1981 shooting of Reagan and three others.

## Business

**Disney labor dispute:** Union officials representing 40 percent of Walt Disney World's 52,000-person work force asked a mediator to help them reach a contract with the company after a third proposal was rejected by members who also authorized a strike, if necessary.

Federal mediator Conrad Bowling planned to meet Monday at an Orlando hotel with Disney officials and leaders of the six unions that make up the Service Trades Council Union. The council's members Thursday rejected a contract proposal, for the third time, by a vote of 3,686 to 2,827.



**Morale booster:** The Blue Angels take flight at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla., on Friday during an air show. Officials at Pensacola Naval Air Station, where the precision flying team is headquartered, hope the two-day show will boost morale at the base and among its neighbors in Florida's western Panhandle. The area was hit hard by Hurricane Ivan earlier this year. "This is a big thing," said resident Diana Hartley of the show. "It's like we're going to be back again. It means a lot. Pensacola's a great place to live."

## World

**Ivory Coast violence:** Frightened foreigners kept packing into Ivory Coast's international airport Saturday to be evacuated home, despite promises by President Laurent Gbagbo's government to protect them after a surge of anti-Western violence.

France, the West African nation's colonial ruler, and other countries have flown out more than 3,300 foreigners, including Americans — since Wednesday, embassy officials said, in what they expect will be one of the largest evacuations from Africa in post-independence times.

Gbagbo's office issued a statement late Friday urging foreigners to stay, saying it was taking steps to assure their safety. But after more than two years of intermittent civil war, many Westerners were skeptical of Gbagbo's assurances.

**Haiti corruption probe:** Haiti's interim prime minister said Friday that he is seeking a warrant against ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide amid allegations of corruption.

Interim Prime Minister Gerard Latortue said he asked Justice Minister Bernard Gousse to "issue a warrant against Aristide."

"It's something that should have been done a long time ago," Latortue told reporters at a news conference announcing the opening of the commission to investigate corruption.

**Chinese submarine:** Japan and China should try to resolve their differences calmly, China's ambassador to Japan said Saturday, a day after Tokyo filed a protest with Beijing over the intrusion of a Chinese nuclear submarine.

The incident has strained relations between two of Asia's biggest economic and military powers.

Japanese officials protested to the Chinese Embassy on Friday after Tokyo determined that the submarine, which had entered territorial waters days earlier, belonged to China.

China has yet to respond but on Saturday, Chinese Ambassador Wang Yi urged the countries to work toward improving relations.

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# Guam hopes to lure funds ill and bite to snake program

FRANK WHITMAN

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Officials of the program charged with keeping Guam's brown tree snakes from spreading to other Pacific islands are hopeful that recent funding increases will give them the resources they need to catch up with their increasing workload. But time is critical.

"Right now we're facing budgetary constraints and we're not able to deliver 100 percent containment anymore," said Daniel Vice, assistant state director for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Wildlife Services division. "We've had a number of aircraft slip off island without inspection and other things are slipping through."

The Guam Wildlife Services office is responsible for keeping ships and aircraft free of snakes at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam Naval Base, the Guam International Airport and the island's commercial sea port.

Wildlife Services officers catch about 6,000 snakes annually using three methods — traps, dog teams and by hand.

Three thousand mouse-baited traps are hung on the fences that surround the exit ports and around 32 commercial freight forwarding businesses. The traps catch about 65 percent of the snakes caught on Guam. The mice are not harmed by the snakes and the service maintains the 3,000 rodents weekly.

Until recently, almost all of the remaining 35 percent of the snakes were caught by hand. At night, the snakes hunt the huge numbers of geckos and skinks — their primary food source — that live on the chain link fences.

"We drive along, illuminate the fence with a spotlight, see the snakes and pull them right off the fence," said Vice. "On a good night around the commercial airport it's not uncommon to catch 10 or 12 snakes in a couple of hours." The capture segment of the program has been degraded because of the budget shortfall.

In addition, Wildlife Services currently has nine full-time dogs and handlers that act as the final barrier. Though they catch very few snakes — fewer than 10 a year — those they catch are in the cargo. The number of dog teams has been reduced during the past year. In September, 34 aircraft are known to have left Guam uninspected — 31 of those departed from Andersen.

Two separate congressional appropriations fund the snake program — the Department of Defense budget for military ports and the Department of Interior's Office of Insular Affairs appropriate money to cover commercial traffic. While the traffic through Guam has grown substantially due to increased Navy and Air Force activity, Wildlife Service's DOD allocation has remained the same as it was when the Guam program began in 1993.



Wildlife Services Anthony Thompson, a wildlife specialist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services division on Guam, works with canine partner Sony to inspect cargo. The USDA office works to prevent brown tree snakes from leaving the island on outgoing ships and aircraft.

The Office of Insular Affairs has a budget of \$2.7 million for brown tree snake activities. The Defense Appropriations Act of 2005 includes an additional \$500,000 infusion to the program, but that has yet to make its way to Vice's office. "We have been told there has been a line of funding provided through both Navy and Air Force bases," he said. He thinks the money will reach his office in February or March.

"Until I've got something clearly identified as having that money there, I'm still operating under the premise that we'll be operating under that constraint." The office will lose another eight employees without the funding.

On Oct. 30, President Bush signed the Brown Tree Snake Control and Eradication Act of 2004, authorizing the expenditure of up to \$15.5 million on snake-related programs for five years beginning in fiscal 2006. The money is to be divided among a number of programs, including "a pre-departure inspection protocol that

goes into effect when the federal funds are made available," said Guam Congressional Delegate Madeleine Bordallo. "It will help protect trade and commerce between Guam, Hawaii and the Northern Marianas."

Officials from Hawaii and the Northern Marianas had indicated they were considering a quarantine of cargo coming from Guam.

The money also will be used for rapid response teams in Guam, Hawaii, the Northern Marianas and the Federated States of Micronesia to help control snake populations.

One promising research project has developed a poison that is "extremely effective at killing snakes," Vice said. Once research is completed and funding is identified, the poison will be "another tool to this integrated wildlife management approach that we've got."

Officials are concerned that if snakes establish a population in tropical areas with no native snakes — similar to Guam before

the 1950s — particularly Hawaii, the Northern Marianas and the Freely Associated States, the snakes will cause the same kind of environmental mayhem.

Of 12 bird species native to Guam, "the snake is definitely responsible for the complete loss of nine of those in the wild," Vice said. The other three species now are found only in isolated areas.

The brown tree snakes are native to northeast Australia, Papua New Guinea, eastern Indonesia and the Solomon Islands. Current thinking is that they arrived in Guam in huge shipments of military construction materials that passed through Guam from a Navy base on the island of the Saomons after World War II.

Finding a virtually unlimited food supply — originally birds, now lizards and rodents — they spread so that today they average as many as 30 per acre of forest habitat. "The numbers of snakes are orders of magnitude greater than snakes anywhere else in the world," said Vice. "Nowhere else are snakes really considered a pest like this."

## Navy Bureau of Medicine stitching together merger plans

BY GREG TYLER

Stars and Stripes

The U.S. Navy Bureau of Medicine is encouraging cross-training and is planning to review recruit training for hospital corpsmen and dental technicians in anticipation of the merger of those rates, estimated to occur in January 2006.

At that time, the rate will be hospital corpsman, or HM, for sailors working in both medical and dental fields, said Petty Officer 1st Class Gerald Stewart, command career counselor at U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan.

"This is a 'for sure' thing," he said. "We've actually already begun the integration process needed for a future merger to work smoothly," he said Friday. "As part of the integration, we've also already begun some cross-training at our Sasebo and Iwakuni branches."

The U.S. Naval Hospital Yokosuka system includes branch commands with medical and dental services at Sasebo Naval Base, Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Station and Aburatsubo Naval Facility. The merger now is under review by the secretary of the Navy; a decision to move forward is expected next month.

The success of this project will require much needed leadership support, personnel and financial resources and a dedicated cadre of people focused on developing the basic training needs of our hospital corpsmen to meet mission requirements of tomorrow," BUMED Force Master Chief Petty Officer J.L. DiRosa said in a recent Navy release.

A Hospital Corps Summit was held in September at the Hospital Corpsman School in Great Lakes, Ill. It brought together HMs, dental technicians, doctors, nurses, reservists, training and medical support personnel and civilians to focus on time lines and resources needed for post-merger training.

"We need to be thinking about the corpsmen of 2010," stated Master Chief Petty Officer Vincent Chustz, deputy director of BUMED's medical department enlisted personnel branch report. "We need to focus on how this merger is going to help provide the medical enlisted community of the future."

Stewart stressed that cross-training already in place at Yokosuka and the branch clinics is working "from the top and trickling down" so that enlisted leadership already will be knowledgeable in both medical and dental disciplines before younger enlisted personnel begin the integration.

"At first it's the E-8s and E-9s that are being detailed to hospital and dental cross-training. For example, we already have Chief Petty Officer Dana Hyatt from dental detailed with the Director of Support department here. Also, hospital corpsman Chief Petty Officer John Bush is detailed and cross-training in the Fleet Dental department," Stewart said.

The merger of Navy hospital and dental capabilities reaches even farther than the enlisted ranks. On Oct. 1, the integration of Navy medical and dental commands' financial systems came to completion.

In Yokosuka, Stewart said, the complete integration of the hospital and dental command will be marked on Jan. 4 by a ceremony hosted by hospital commanding officer Capt. Charles Taylor.

A Navy Personnel Command review of dental command structures cited an anticipated "cost avoidance of \$4.4 million" over the next five years, Stars and Stripes reported in September. Officials said the goal is an

"improved management process while maintaining the same high standard of care," while avoiding costs of duplicated efforts.

"The duties we have are just so similar in many respects, so the main benefit of the rate merger will be cutting costs," Stewart said. "For instance, the hospital and dental each have what we call a Central Supply Distribution, where materials are sterilized and kept sanitary until they're needed. By combining those locations into one operation, we free space and personnel to do additional work that benefits patient care overall."

Beyond cross-training, the training of new recruits was a topic explored at the fall Hospital Corps Summit. "The summit provided us the opportunity to take a hard look not only at how we currently train our enlisted personnel, but also assisted us in planning for the unique challenges that merging these ratings will bring," Rear Adm. Nancy J. Lescavage, Naval Medical Education and Training Command commander, stated in the report.

One of the most challenging aspects of merging the two ratings, she noted, is preparing a "pipeline" education program for new recruits. "When someone in the community training, when they've decided if they want to go dental or dental care, they would receive some specialized training," said career counselor Stewart.

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### Correction

Stories about the Keen Sword 2005 exercise in the Oct. 13 and Nov. 12 editions of Stars and Stripes incorrectly identified the chairman of Japan's Joint Staff Council. The chairman is Gen. Hajime Massaki.



AP photo

U.S. Marines of the 1st Division take position near a mosque in the western part of Fallujah, Iraq, on Saturday. About 1,000 insurgents have been killed in the operation to retake Fallujah, and about 400 wounded U.S. servicemembers have been flown to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany, officials say.

# Officials: U.S. forces have occupied Fallujah

The Associated Press

FALLUJAH, Iraq — U.S. military officials said Saturday that American troops had now "occupied" the entire city of Fallujah and there were no more major concentrations of insurgents still fighting after nearly a week of intense urban combat.

A U.S. officer, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Fallujah was "occupied but not subdued." Artillery and airstrikes also were halted after nightfall to prevent mistaken attacks on U.S. and Iraqi forces who had taken up positions throughout the city. Iraqi officials declared the operation to free Fallujah of militants was "accomplished" but acknowledged the two most wanted figures in the city — Jordanian terrorist mastermind Abu Musab al-Zarqawi and Sheikh Abdullah al-Janabi — had escaped.

U.S. officers said, however, that resistance had not been entirely subdued and that it still could take several days of fighting to clear the final pockets. The offensive against Fallujah killed at least 24 American troops and an estimated 1,000 insurgents, and rebel attacks elsewhere — especially in the northern city of Mosul — have forced the Americans to shift troops away from Fallujah.

Exploiting the redeployment, insurgents stepped up attacks in areas outside Fallujah, including a bombing that killed two Marines on the outskirts of the northern city of Mosul, 40 miles west of Baghdad.

Military activity also surged along the Euphrates River valley well to the north and west of Baghdad, with clashes reported in Qaim on the Syrian border and in Hit and Ramadi, nearer to the capital.

A series of thunderous explosions rocked central Baghdad after sunset Saturday, and sirens

wailed in the fortified Green Zone, which houses major Iraqi government offices and the U.S. Embassy.

There was no immediate explanation for the blasts, but the Ansar al-Sunnah Army later claimed responsibility for firing several rockets at the zone. The claim's authenticity could not be verified.

A car bomb exploded on the main road to Baghdad airport, and there was fighting near the Education Ministry in the heart of the capital. Baghdad's international airport was ordered Saturday to remain closed to civilian traffic for a further 24 hours, according to government adviser Georges Sada.

The airport was closed for 48 hours under the state of emergency imposed last Sunday and has

remained shut under a series of one-day extensions ever since.

At least four people were killed and 29 wounded, police said, during a U.S. airstrike on rebels and clashes Saturday in the Abu Ghraib suburb of western Baghdad. One Iraqi was killed and 10 wounded in fighting between U.S. troops and insurgents in the northern city of Tal Afar.

As a prelude to the Saturday assault, a U.S. warplane dropped a 500-pound bomb on an insurgent tunnel network in the city. CNN embedded correspondent Jane Arraf reported.

U.S. officials aimed Saturday's attack at finishing off the last pocket of significant resistance in Fallujah. Next was a planned house-to-house clearing operation to find boobytraps, weapons and guerrillas still hiding in the rubble.

## Soldiers in Tikrit round up insurgents

By STEVE LIEWER

Stars and Stripes

**FORWARD OPERATING BASE MACKENZIE**, Iraq — Soldiers from the 1st Infantry Division's Task Force 1-18, working with local Iraqi National Guardsmen and police, have picked up 30 alleged insurgents and more than 60 weapons during a series of raids in and around Tikrit over the last two weeks, according to a Task Force Danger news release.

During operations called Mandarin Squeeze, Tangerine Pinch and Mustang Flex, the units searched about 900 houses in northern Tikrit and the neighboring villages of Umkashafa and Abu Toma. The release said the raids targeted fighters, weapons dealers and insurgents funded by Mohammed al-Hadadhi, Saddam Hussein's personal secretary, who has not been captured.

The soldiers also handed out about 200 job cards, entitling the recipient to a general labor job in the Tikrit Job Corps for six months.

Although it is Saddam's home-

town, Tikrit has been relatively peaceful compared to other parts of the restive "Sunni Triangle" patrolled by the 1st ID-led Task Force Danger.

During October, five insurgent attacks in Tikrit wounded four Americans and seven Iraqi soldiers or contractors. That compares with 19 attacks that killed four and wounded 38 in Bagdada, a city patrolled by the 1st ID's 3rd Brigade, according to Task Force Danger statistics.

Insurgents have remained active as Ramadan reached its climax late last week and the battle in Fallujah continued. The Danger sector, a West Virginia-sized area north of Baghdad, received 54 attacks by mortar, rocket, bomb and gunfire late Wednesday and Thursday, according to intelligence reports received by the task force's 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment.

That was the most of any day since 1st ID took over the zone in March, topping the previous high set the day before.

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# Army to get more armored Humvees in Iraq

By Robert Burns  
The Associated Press

## Official says goal of 8,000 vehicles should be met by March

WASHINGTON — With no sign of the Iraq insurgency ending soon, the Army has again raised its goal for replacing regular Humvee utility vehicles in Iraq with armored Humvees, the Army's top civilian official said Friday.

The extra protection is needed to shield soldiers from the insurgents' weapon of choice, the roadside bomb, as well as other small arms that soldiers are vulnerable to in Baghdad and elsewhere in Iraq.

Les Brownlee, the acting secretary of the Army, said in an Associated Press interview that the Army recently doubled its re-

quirement for "up-armored" Humvees in Iraq from 4,000 to 8,000.

A Democratic member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, meanwhile, told reporters Friday after visiting U.S. troops in Iraq that he expects the insurgency to continue for some time.

Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., said in a conference call from Kuwait that the "climate of violence" in Iraq has increased.

"It's hard to determine whether that's the last gasp or building momentum, but the incidents are up," he said, adding that it seems the insurgents have the will to continue

fighting despite getting routed in Fallujah.

"My sense is there's still a lot of fight left in the insurgents," Reed said. "There are plenty of resources in terms of financial resources flowing to them."

Brownlee said that at the current production rate of 450 a month he believed the Army could meet the goal of having 8,000 armored Humvees in Iraq by March 2005. He did not say how many already are there, but he said the goal of 4,000 was met in September.

In May 2003, after the fall of Baghdad but before it was clear to U.S. officials that

an insurgency was developing, the Army had 235 armored Humvees in the country and they were being produced at a rate of 15 per month, Brownlee said.

By September, the requirement was raised to 1,000.

Brownlee said the Army also is adding armor to its truck fleet because soldiers in supply convoys are often attacked by insurgents. He said this was an illustration of how much more deadly the insurgency has proven to be than anyone in Washington believed possible in 2003.

"No one ever anticipated we'd be up-arming our truck fleet," he said. "Nobody anticipated that we'd have to do that."

### Fallujah evacuation

BAGHDAD — Iraq's Health Minister said Saturday that the evacuation has begun of wounded civilians trapped inside Fallujah during the past four days of military operations.

In a released statement, Minister Alaa Alwan said that ambulances have begun transferring "significant numbers" of wounded to

Baghdad hospitals. He did not specify how many.

On Friday, aid agencies including the Red Cross warned of a major humanitarian disaster unless Iraqi and U.S. authorities allow food, water and medicine to reach the trapped civilians in the besieged city.

Many of Fallujah's 200,000 to 300,000 residents fled the city before the assault, which began last

Monday.

U.S. officials had estimated that 1,200 to 3,000 insurgents were barricaded in the city. Dr. Shakir Al-Ainay, head of medical operations at the ministry, said that Fallujah General Hospital is ready to resume service.

The hospital was used by the Iraqi and American forces during the assault on Fallujah.

### French hostages in Iraq

PARIS — France believes that two journalists held hostage in Iraq are still alive, but authorities have lost direct contact with their kidnappers, the foreign minister said Saturday.

Reporters Christian Chesnot, 37, of Radio France International, and Georges Malbrunot, 41,

of the daily newspaper Le Figaro, disappeared Aug. 20 while driving to the Iraqi city of Najaf. Their Syrian driver, Mohammed al-Joundi, who also was abducted, was rescued Thursday by U.S. Marines in Fallujah.

Marines said al-Joundi told them he was separated from the journalists a month ago and had not seen them since.

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## IN THE WORLD

## N. Korea makes post-election overture on nukes

BY SANG-HUN CHOE

The Associated Press

SEOUL — North Korea said Saturday that it was "quite possible" to settle the international standoff over its nuclear weapons program if the United States drops its alleged goal of toppling the communist regime.

In its first official comment on the prospects for six-nation nuclear talks after President Bush's re-election, North Korea's Foreign Ministry said it would not insist on bilateral talks with Washington to solve the nuclear dispute.

Bush has opposed any direct talks with North Korea, amid speculation that the North was

stalling six-nation talks while waiting for a possible victory by Bush challenger John Kerry, who was more open to bilateral U.S.-North Korean negotiations.

"If the U.S. drops its hostile policy aimed at 'bringing down the system' in the (North) and opts for coexisting with the latter in practice, it will be quite possible to settle the issue," a Foreign Ministry spokesman was quoted as saying by the North's official news agency, KCNA.

The unnamed spokesman made the comment to clarify "some misinformation about the prospect of the resumption of the six-party talks aloft in the United States after the presidential election," KCNA said.

The two Koreas, China, Japan, Russia and the United States have held three rounds of six-nation talks on the nuclear dispute since last year, but no breakthrough has been reported.

A fourth round slated for September did not occur because North Korea refused to attend. There was widespread speculation that the North was waiting to see who would win the Nov. 2 American presidential vote.

The North Korean spokesman reconfirmed Saturday that the communist state "does not stick to the form of the talks aimed to solve it."

But he did not clarify when the country might return to the six-party talks.

South Korea hopes to restart the talks by year-end, but Japanese and Chinese officials have indicated that North Korea does not want to hold talks until Bush reveals his stance toward the North following his re-election.

North Korea says it will give up its nuclear weapons program only if the United States provides guarantees of nonaggression and economic aid and stops interfering in human rights in the isolated, totalitarian regime.

Washington demands an immediate halt and dismantling of all of North Korea's nuclear activities.

## Roh continues push for six-party talks

BY CHRIS T. NGUYEN

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun said he will not tolerate the development of nuclear weapons by North Korea, but warned a "hard-line policy" against the communist country could lead to grave consequences.

"Our commitment to a denuclearized Korean peninsula is ... clear. As to our position that North Korean nuclear capability can by no means be tolerated — this issue must be resolved peacefully through the six-party talks," said Roh, referring to negotiations that involve both Korea, China, Japan, Russia and

the United States.

"You might have noticed that I've been undeniably blunt and direct in terms of stressing that the fact there is no alternative left in dealing with this issue other than dialogue," added Roh, speaking through an interpreter.

"And it should also be noted that a hard-line policy will have very grave repercussions and implications for the Korean peninsula."

Roh's appearance, sponsored by the Los Angeles World Affairs Council, came on the first leg of a 12-day trip that will culminate with his attendance at the annual Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum in Santiago, Chile, Nov. 20-21.

At the forum, he will seek support for a peaceful solution to the dispute over North Korea's nuclear weapons program. He will also meet privately with President Bush and others.



Roh

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## S. Korean ship crash leaves 6 dead

The Associated Press

TOKYO — A South Korean cargo ship, buffeted by strong winds and waves, hit a breakwater in northern Japan on Saturday, killing six crew members and leaving one missing at sea.

The 5,500-ton Marine Osaka had a crew of 16 — eight from South Korea and eight from Myanmar — but wasn't carrying any cargo when the accident occurred off the port of Otaru, said Japan coast guard official Koki Tomiyama.

Otaru is on Japan's northernmost main island of Hokkaido, about 525 miles northwest of Tokyo.

The vessel had lowered its anchor near port when powerful waves and gusts swept it into a breakwater, nearly cleaving the ship into two pieces, Tomiyama said.

Fifteen of the 16 crew members were rescued by a coast guard helicopter and taken to a hospital, where six of them were declared dead, he said. One remained unaccounted for.

Only two of the dead — both South Koreans — had been identified, Tomiyama added. He said the nine survivors were all hurt, but he didn't give more details.

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## IN THE STATES

## CIA's No. 2 official retires

Turmoil with new chief reportedly growing at agency

BY KATHERINE PFLEGER SHRADER  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — John McLaughlin, who took temporary command of the CIA for three months this year during a wave of criticism of the spy agency, is retiring amid internal conflicts.

In a statement Friday, McLaughlin, the CIA's deputy director and 32-year agency veteran, called his departure a "purely personal decision" and said it was time to move on to other endeavors.

But former intelligence officials in touch with current agency personnel say there has been turmoil in recent weeks as new CIA Director Porter Goss tried to make changes and get settled in.

Goss, a Florida Republican who formerly chaired the House Intelligence Committee, brought four of his congressional aides with him to the CIA's 7th floor executive offices shortly after he took over in September.

But tension began before he arrived.

Officials as senior as former CIA Director George Tenet fumed at legislation approved by Goss' committee and the full House that said the CIA's Directorate of Operations "needs fixing." The bill warned that without changes, the clandestine unit — the agency's most famous division — could become a "stilted bureaucracy incapable of even the slightest bit of success."

Now, moves made by Goss and his aides are believed to be riling current personnel. The Washington Post reported in Saturday editions that Deputy Director of Operations Stephen Kappes turned in his resignation Friday following a tense meeting at CIA headquarters in suburban Virginia.

Goss and White House officials asked Kappes to reconsider his decision over the weekend, the newspaper said. Other officials are also considering leaving.

McLaughlin temporarily took over the CIA in July when Tenet retired, also citing personal reasons.

McLaughlin's ascension put him in line to field criticism from two reports highly critical of U.S. intelligence operations, the Sept. 11 Commission report and the Senate's investigation into the flawed prewar intelligence on Iraq.

President Bush decided in August to nominate a permanent replacement for Tenet and tapped Goss, who was a CIA operative during the 1960s.

Officials painted McLaughlin's decision to retire from government as a natural one: A CIA official said McLaughlin thought the period of government transition after the election was a "logical time to move on." McLaughlin plans to take time off while considering opportunities in the private sector, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Since 1972, McLaughlin has advanced within the agency to become a part of its senior leadership. He was an analyst for European and Russian issues before rising to deputy director for intelligence in 1997. By 2000, he had become Tenet's right hand, as deputy director of central intelligence.

When Tenet resigned in July, McLaughlin temporarily headed the agency for nearly three months.



McLaughlin

## Congress returns for post-election session

BY ALAN FRAM  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Republicans' election triumph behind them, members of Congress return Tuesday amid hope they can finish a huge pile of spending bills stalemated all year.

Legislators also must vote on raising the government's borrowing limit, now at \$7.4 trillion. In addition, they would like to pass a bill to put in place the Sept. 11 commission's vision of reshaping intelligence agencies, although House-Senate disputes make the chances seem dim.

Congressional aides of both parties were working toward an agreement that could let lawmakers quickly finish eight of the nine remaining spending bills for the federal budget year that started Oct. 1.

The deal would involve extra money for veterans, NASA and other White House and congressional priorities while imposing across-the-board cuts of perhaps 0.75 percent on other programs, aides who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"One way or another, we're going to get done," said House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bill Young, R-Fla.

Republicans are eager to clear the decks for President Bush's second-term initiatives, which he would like to feature overhauls of the tax laws and Social Security.

Many Democrats want to settle now for spending increases they consider modest, knowing the elections mean next year's Congress will be more conservative and probably will look less kindly on domestic programs.

## Cheney taken to hospital

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dick Cheney, who has a history of heart trouble, went to a hospital on Saturday for tests after experiencing some shortness of breath, a White House spokesman said.

"He experienced some shortness of breath Saturday morning and has had a bad cold, which could be the cause for the shortness of breath," spokesman Ken Lisius said. Lisius said Cheney is taking every precaution "as anyone with history should do" and is having himself checked out. It was unclear whether Cheney would be admitted to the hospital, or would be there only for tests.

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# Peterson done in by circumstantial evidence

By DAVID KRAVETS  
The Associated Press

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — It was circumstantial evidence that led jurors to decide that Scott Peterson murdered his wife. They agreed it was premeditated, first-degree murder even though prosecutors did not prove where, how or exactly when Laci was killed.

The jury did so, legal analysts said, because of the cumulative weight of all the circumstantial factors that pointed to Peterson — not least his alibi about going fishing in San Francisco Bay the day

Laci Peterson disappeared from her home in Modesto.

When her body and that of her fetus turned up four months later not far from the marina where Peterson launched his brand new boat, that alibi became some of the strongest evidence against him.

"Just the fact that her body was found in a place where he put himself — that alone is overwhelming evidence," said Pete Kossoris, a retired attorney who prosecuted murder cases for 27 years.

Kossoris said the defense didn't present a "reasonable alternative" to the prosecution's theory of the case.

"You could postulate that he was trapped, but there's no evidence of that," said Kossoris, "and who the heck would want to frame him?"

Jurors, like all the parties in the case, remain under the judge's eye, order until the sentencing phase is complete. They will return later this month to begin deliberating whether Peterson should be sentenced to death or life in prison without parole.

Although Peterson did not testify, the prosecution successfully characterized him as a liar and schemer — a professional salesman who plotted to rid himself of

his pregnant wife to return to the bachelor life. Along with a boat, Peterson bought a fishing license, and cement that prosecutors said was used to weight the body underneath the bay.

Peterson also had an affair with a massage therapist, Amber Frey, in the weeks before the murder. Frey testified that Peterson told her before Laci vanished that he had "lost" his wife and the coming holidays would be the first he would spend alone — a foreshadowing of the murder.

The many tape recordings of conversations between Frey and Peterson proved to be a turning

point in the case, which had been filled with numerous missteps by prosecutors, observers said.

"When the jury got to hear about the lying of Scott Peterson — it was devastating to the defense," said Stan Goldman, professor of law at Loyola Law School.

Lying may not add up to murder, but it may have persuaded jurors to connect the dots between all the other bits of circumstantial evidence prosecutors pounded home.

"He was the last person to see her face," said Dean Johnson, an attorney who closely followed the case. "You take this, and add up these circumstances, it's premeditated. It's a slam dunk."

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## Tommy Lee trades the rock band for the marching band in new series

BY SCOTT BAUER  
The Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — You'd think he'd be good at the drums.

But there was rocker Tommy Lee, struggling to keep up with 22-year-old University of Nebraska marching band veteran Ben Coleman. No, Lee hasn't left the stage to go back to school — but he's turned the Nebraska campus on its head by filming an upcoming reality show here.

The six-episode, half-hour show, set to air on NBC next year, will focus on the former Motley Crue drummer's experiences while trying out for the band, taking classes on plant identification and chemistry, hanging out in his off-campus apartment — and, no doubt, partying.

"Everyone wants to party with him," said 21-year-old student Burr Kilgore, who's part of Lee's horticulture class. So far Lee has turned down invitations to hit the downtown bars, Kilgore said.

Showing the much-tattooed, nose-pierced, high school dropout tearing it up with college students isn't the goal of the show, said executive producer Eddie October.

"That's Tommy's former or original rock star life," October said. "The concept of the show is very much that Tommy is a fish out of water and Tommy is making the effort to fit into this collegiate experience."

Campus Chancellor Harvey Perlman says before NBC got the

green light, he was assured the show would be about the redemptive nature of higher education — not the seamy side.

But Perlman knows there are risks when a personality like Lee is involved. After compiling a standard sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll resume, he became infamous after a honeymoon sex tape surfaced in 1998 of him with then-wife Pamela Anderson. Lee also served four months behind bars after pleading no contest to kicking Anderson while she held their son.

"They offered us Tommy Lee, they didn't offer us Snow White," Perlman said.

The criticism began the minute news of the show broke two weeks ago.

"For years, we have been trying to send the message that we are increasing our standards, that we are a research university that is to be taken seriously. This is not consistent with that message," said economics professor Ann Mari May.

The anger stems not from anything the 42-year-old drummer behind hard rock hits such as "Smokin' in the Boys Room" and "Dr. Feelgood" has done since he got here. It's his past that's haunting him.

In his new book released Tuesday, "Tommyland," Lee describes his rock 'n' roll lifestyle: "We drank oceans of liquor, snorted and shot mountains of drugs, crashed cars, watched people die, and watched one another fight,

make up, break up, reunite, and break up again."

Local domestic violence and family groups have gone on record with concerns about Lee's show coming to the campus, and the university's Women's Caucus urged members to sign a petition decrying the program.

"They're aligning themselves with a person who has a history of abuse," said Bob Moyer, director of the Family Violence Council. Perlman acknowledged that Lee had a checked past, but said some were taking the filming of the show too seriously. Lee is not enrolled at the school and he will not receive actual credit for any classes.

"I think you can be a serious institution and do serious work without taking yourself too seriously," Perlman said.



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## YOUR MONEY

## Old Dell may need cleanup

Q. My 4½-year-old Dell Pentium III running Windows 98 eventually freezes every time I use it. Sometimes hitting Control + Alt + Delete frees it, but more and more I have to shut off the power at the surge protector, which I know isn't the best way to turn off a computer.

There are no games on my PC nor any shareware. I run Norton AntiVirus 2003 and Spybot as scheduled tasks every week, and they've never found any problems other than low- and medium-risk cookies.

Any suggestions as to the problem? — David Hatcher, Denver

A. Like computer criminals, computers tend to bog down and get cranky the older they get. It is too bad columnists don't have a system restore disc, Mr. H., because that's what your venerable Dell needs after 4½ years of online work and other labors.

Dell included these CDs with its Pentium III models to allow customers who get in trouble to restore the software to its original condition. This requires one to back up all data, because the hard drive will be reformatted.

In the best of all worlds, that's what you should do.

But I also know that many folks hate to even think of giving their computer a brain transplant, so let me suggest some less draconian but probably helpful fixes.

Start by eradicating all of the temporary Internet applications you have collected over those 54 months of online computer travel. These "applets" handle thousands of tasks, like making Web page graphics blink and flash and sizzle, tracking your various preferences and much more. The longer you use a computer, the more these memory gurgles build up. The buttons to erase all this stuff are near the cookies that you mention in your note.

So click on Tools in the Internet Explorer browser

and then Internet Options. In the menu this sums up, select the General tab and then click on the buttons there for Delete Files and for Delete Cookies.

After all those years you can expect a lot of hard-drive churning and cursor spinning as this clogging stuff is given a dose of digital Drano.

Next, you need to get rid of all of the stuff that various programs have insinuated onto your startup routines — things like icons for Real Jukebox, Apple's QuickTime movie player and a whole lot of other stuff. Click on Start, then Run and type in msconfig to launch the Microsoft system configuration control panel.

There you will find a tab called Startup. Open it and look at all of the boxes with check marks in the display. Remove the checks from anything that sounds suspicious to the hard drive.

When you reboot after doing these three things, you will find a marked speedup.

The final step is to turn the Windows hard drive defragmentation tool. You can find it by clicking on Start and then Programs and then Accessories and System Tools.

But you should first put your computer into what is called Safe Mode so that none of the regular background processes your computer uses will interfere as the defragment tool attempts to write things to the hard drive.

The Safe Mode is engaged using different keys on different Windows 98 machines and by the F8 key with Windows XP. So check your manual or try the likely suspects.

First, hold down the Control key as the computer boots. If that doesn't bring up Safe Mode, try the Enter key or the F8 key. When do the defrag, and when you reboot, things will be much better.

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## Tax change hurts car donors' cut

BY TOM INCANTALUPO

Newsday

To more than 4,000 of the United States' largest charities, donated cars are sometimes a major source of income.

To lawmakers such as Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, they represent a widely abused income tax loophole.

Charities want things to stay as they are, with hundreds of thousands of donors each year able to deduct the "fair market" value of the donated car — in essence the amount the car would fetch in a private party sale.

But earlier this year, Grassley, who chairs the Senate's Finance Committee, got his way and, effective with donations made after Jan. 1, the tax law will change so that donors can deduct no more than \$500 or what the car actually fetches at an auction, where charities often sell the cars. That amount is usually about half the fair market value, says spokeswoman Robyn Eckhard of the Kelley Blue Book.

The change, Grassley said on his Web site, "ends the shady practice of a donor giving a junker car to charity and claiming thousands of dollars for it as a deduction on his income tax." And he said, "The reforms will place no additional burden on the donor, will not reduce the amount going to charities for the use of the car by a dime and will benefit all taxpayers by ending this abuse."

Charities disagree — to say the least.

"This legislation will be a huge disincentive for donating their vehicles," said a statement from the Volunteers of America, the nonprofit group based in Virginia that provides help for youth, abused and neglected children, homeless individuals and families, the elderly and people with disabilities. The group gets about 80,000 donated cars a year and nets more than \$10 million from them.

Ron Field, the group's vice president for public policy, said the change will make it more financially attractive for many prospective car donors to sell the cars — especially the late-model cream puffs — rather than donate them for reduced write-off. "Therein lies our problem," he said. "We expect to lose about half of our (auto donation) income because most of our income comes from the better cars."

At North Shore Animal League for Pet Washington, N.Y., Gene Gallagher, director of major gifts, said car donations total about \$30,000 or \$40,000 a year and that, while accounting for a small percentage of the \$24 million in annual contributions to the group, it's money that's needed. "It saves hundreds of dogs and cats and that's critical to our missions. It's what we're all about," Gallagher said.

Bob Glasser, chief of Pet Washington, said that, had the new rules been in effect two years ago, he probably would have thought twice about donating an eight-year-old, 1996 BMW 325i. "The car was worth more than \$7,000 despite a major engine defect. I probably could have found a junkyard that would have given me more," said Glasser, an accountant.

Some recent donors, though, said that, even if the deductions are smaller, donations remain an easy way to get rid of a car. One is Bank of New York vice president Christine Tamney, of North Babylon, who recently, with her husband, donated a 1991 Oldsmobile Bravada sport utility vehicle with about 120,000 miles on its odometer.

In recent running order, the Bravada is worth at least \$2,000, according to the widely used National Automobile Dealers Association's used car guide. "When we took a look at the cost of repairs to get rid of a car," she said, "it just wasn't worth it to us."

## FRIDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

## EXCHANGE RATES

## INDEXES

52-Week High	Low	Name	Last	Net Chg	% Chg	YTD 52-Week High	Low
10,753.81	9,550.57	Dow Jones Industrial	10,321.01	+68.17	+0.66	11,000.00	9,500.00
3,637.42	2,743.46	Dow Jones Transportation	3,629.20	+4.98	+0.14	+206.56	+23.93
26.75	24.26	Dow Jones Utilities	25.64	+4.57	+0.10	+22.88	+27.87
6,596.97	5,522.45	NYSE Composite	7,014.48	+63.21	+0.91	+89.16	+16.89
1,353.83	1,257.62	Alexa Inc.	1,266.34	+15.31	+1.14	+15.31	+15.31
155.83	150.62	Nasdaq Composite	2,485.34	+24.87	+1.01	+44.89	+33.83
17,742.81	15,120.50	S&P 500	19,147	+10.69	+0.05	+16.59	+12.74
67.27	64.26	S&P MidCap	63.426	+7.09	+0.11	+11.84	+11.84
216.38	215.90	Russell 2000	621.88	+5.56	+0.92	+16.59	+12.74
115,117.1	109,250.28	D. Wilshire 2000	116,061.57	+105.25	+0.09	+7.50	+13.17

## NYSE

Most Active (\$1 or more)				Most Active (\$1 or more)				Most Active (\$1 or more)			
Name	% (Vol)	Last	Chg	Name	% (Vol)	Last	Chg	Name	% (Vol)	Last	Chg
Northern	1236302	3.03	-3.34	Nasdaq100	995054	38.66	+3.39	Microcap	100000	1.00	+0.01
Lucient	499599	3.90	+0.47	SPDR	523235	118.79	+0.31	S&P500	100000	1.00	+0.01
AMD	305774	21.45	+3.35	SPDR	523231	31.84	+3.58	Biotech	100000	1.00	+0.01
Boeing	214000	21.00	+0.80	SPDR	720197	101.05	+0.50	Healthcare	100000	1.00	+0.01
Pfizer	391000	27.43	+3.35	Healthcare	61199	123.85	+1.25	Crude	100000	1.00	+0.01
General	259330	3.13	+0.27	Wheat20	108924	3.68	+0.88	Goldmine	100000	1.00	+0.01
Agilent	108000	22.58	+1.10	Shares20	48935	101.65	+0.50	Oil	100000	1.00	+0.01
Johnson	108000	35.25	+0.50	Oil	108924	3.68	+0.88	Gasoline	100000	1.00	+0.01
Merck	148000	24.65	+0.35	Bismuth	37388	81.43	+1.51	Iron	100000	1.00	+0.01
Novartis	129000	16.67	+0.30	Oil	108924	3.68	+0.88	Steel	100000	1.00	+0.01
Citigroup	184709	47.87	+0.31	Oil	108924	3.68	+0.88	USDC	100000	1.00	+0.01
Bank of America	150000	16.10	+3.51	Oil	108924	3.68	+0.88	USDC	100000	1.00	+0.01

## AMEX

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## NASDAQ

Most Active (\$1 or more)			Most Active (\$1 or more)		
Vol (00)	Last	Chg	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
1585062	29.97	-0.21	Norway (Krone)	6.2794	
919667	21.69	+0.22	Philippines (Peso)	56.33	
801157	41.47	+3.32	Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.74	
132560	43.44	+1.15	Singapore (Dollar)	1.6515	
772342	19.26	+0.22	South Korea (Won)	1,104.60	
410731	13.39	+0.25	Switzerland (Franc)	1.1703	
352688	16.17	+0.09	Thailand (Baht)	47.67	
331550	4.86	+0.02	Turkey (Lira)	2,449.25	
318987	3.15	+0.02	Foreign exchange rates are available to customers at military bank facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom.		

## KEY DEFENSE STOCKS

REF DEFENSE STOCKS					YTD	REF MID-CAP					
Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg %	%Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg %	%Chg
Airbus Technologies	-	16	63.76	+48	+13.4	Fidelity Invest: Grdc	-	-	-	-	-
Aerion Holdings	-	28	42.12	-0.1	+0.69	Fidelity Invest: Grocap	-	-	-	-	-
Boeing	-	16	53.93	+37	+28.9	Aerion Funds Inc: Grtpa	-	-	-	-	-
Boeing Co	-	16	53.93	+37	+28.9	Putnam Funds Inc: Ultra	-	-	-	-	-
Engineered Sys	-	34	22.54	+0.07	+1.9	Fidelity Invest: A-Mgr	-	-	-	-	-
General Dynamics	-	14	19.88	+31	+19.5	Franklin Funds Inc: S-CapG	-	-	-	-	-
General Electric	-	34	36.25	+45	+17.8	AIM Investments: C Comp	-	-	-	-	-
Lockheed	-	16	53.93	+37	+28.9	Fidelity Invest: US8B	-	-	-	-	-
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## MONDAY EVENING / NOVEMBER 15, 2004

MOVIES

SPORTS

J	6PM	6:30	7PM	7:30	8PM	8:30	9PM	9:30	10PM	10:30	11PM	11:30	
6	AFN-P	Headline News	The 32nd Annual American Music Awards (2004) Steven Seiden, Usher, Toby Keith, Kanye West, Jimmy Fallon, Gretchen Wilson, Jimmy Kimmel and Jessica Simpson are scheduled to perform, a tribute to Jon Bon Jovi, Jimmy Kimmel hosts. (CC)					Pacific Report	The Tonight Show (CC)	Late Show (CC)			
7	AFN-ATL	Oprah Winfrey	Guiding Light (CC)	General Hospital		Headline News	Judge Judy (CC)	Today (CC)	Aldrin 'Bad Moon Rising' (CC)				
8	NEWS	Bulls and Bears	Cavuto on Business	Dateline NBC (CC)		Next at CNN	Good Morning America (CC)		Headline News Channel One				
9	SPORTS	1500's Sports	NBA Finals Late Night		SportsCenter		Sports						
10	SPEC	The Simpsons	Everybody Loves Raymond Robert changes. (CC)	For Love or Money (CC)		Law & Order 'Open Season' A cop-killer's accidental leads to the murder of a defense attorney. (CC)	American Hot Rod 'Junyard Dog 2' The team runs behind schedule.		Friends Probe Brinkley's birth mother. (CC)	Seinfeld Susan's doll resembles George's mom. (CC)	Seinfeld George is ready to move on.	Blind Date (CC)	
11	AFN-AM	Home	Rugrats (CC)	Lizzie McGuire	Taina	Smashville (CC)	Boy Meets World	Boy Meets World	The Cosby Show	Home Improvement	Touché by an Angel (CC)	*** 'Billy Engvall' (1991, Drama)	
12	FMV	Entertainment Tonight (CC)	4:45 *** 'Blue Necessity' (1993, Adventure) Adam Macdonald, Liam Neeson, Viggo Mortensen. A woman jumps continents in search of her missing mate. PG-13 (R)	The Newsroom With Jim Lehrer (H) (CC) (DVS)		Antique Roadshow 'Oklahoma City' Picard painted punch bowl, promoter Bill Graham's handbills.	Frontline 'The Choice 2004' Presidential candidates. (CC)		Charlie Rose Paul Krugman. (H) (CC)				
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24	PBS	Teen Tales	Class Breaks a Band (DVS)	The Newsroom With Jim Lehrer (H) (CC) (DVS)		Antique Roadshow 'Oklahoma City' Picard painted punch bowl, promoter Bill Graham's handbills.		Frontline 'The Choice 2004' Presidential candidates. (CC)		Charlie Rose Paul Krugman. (H) (CC)			
25	SHOW	4:45 *** 'The Last Debate' (2000, Drama) James Garner, Peter Gallagher, Donna Murphy. A columnist alone damaging information about a politician. (H) (CC)	Animal Justice 'The Perfect Victim' A kidnapper holds a hitchhiker hostage for years. (CC)		Deadly Secrets of Cromwell Street (CC)		Growing Up Gotti (CC)	Growing Up Gotti (CC)	Airline 'Battle of Wills' Cutting in line. (CC)	Canada (H) (CC)	Crossing Jordan 'The Dugan' The discovery of a corpse leads Jordan on a manhunt for a serial killer. (CC)		
27	A&E	City Confidential 'La Laudeville' San Francisco's 'The Sun' Career destroyed due to involvement with a prostitute. (CC)	Animal Justice 'The Perfect Victim' A kidnapper holds a hitchhiker hostage for years. (CC)		Deadly Secrets of Cromwell Street (CC)		Growing Up Gotti (CC)	Growing Up Gotti (CC)	Airline 'Battle of Wills' Cutting in line. (CC)	Canada (H) (CC)	Crossing Jordan 'The Dugan' The discovery of a corpse leads Jordan on a manhunt for a serial killer. (CC)		
28	DISC	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	To Be Announced	
29	TFC	TV Patrol International Edition	Wazz Up (CC)	(15) Tanging Ni	Madventures of Ariel and M		(14) The Correspondents	Morning Star	(15) Kungfury Katun Aym	(14) Masayang Tanghal Bayan	(15) SOC Reload		
30	CNN-H	Larry King Weekend (CC)	CNN World News	World Sport	Business International		Asia Tonight	World Sport	CNN World News	World Sport	Bit Asia	Business International	
31	GOLF	PGA Golf Tournament of Champions - Final Round, From Birmingham, Ala.	Golf Channel Academy		Golf Channel Academy		Golf Central	Golf Central	Golf Channel Academy	Golf Central	Making of Tiger	Playing Lessons From The Pros	
32	TLC	Clean Sweep 'PaperPalooza' A couple overwhelmed by piles of papers and a 'Big Sister' Career destroyed due to involvement with a prostitute. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)		Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)		Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	
34	TOON	Foster's Home for Imaginary Friends	Justice League	Unfold Stories of the E.R. 'The Big Save' An emergency room nurse is involved in the hard way. (CC)		Powerpuff Girls cartoon		Cartoon shorts.	Looney Tunes	14 Children and Pregnant Against A couple manages 14 children. (CC)			
35	ANPL	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries 'Gator Raid' A crocodile tries to reach a woman who is his mate. (CC)	Most Extreme 'Body Parts' Appendages. One, racial incidents. (CC)		Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)		Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	Animal Icons 'Political Animals' Symbols for political parties. (CC)	
36	COM	Travel Guide Visiting South Africa. (CC)	Crossroads 'Raging Music' American music.	Snake Wranglers 'Croc Chronicles' Venom of the serpent. (CC)		Unfold Stories of the E.R. 'The Big Save' An emergency room nurse is involved in the hard way. (CC)		Cartoon shorts.	Looney Tunes	14 Children and Pregnant Against A couple manages 14 children. (CC)			
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42	SPIKE	World's Wildest Police Videos (CC)	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation 'Early Rollout' (CC) (DVS)	S. Elsworth (CC)	Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy Moms in California and Tennessee trade families. (H) (CC)		The Swan Two more women are transformed, one is sent home. (CC)	The Fox Report With Shepard Smith (CC)	Concert Special 'Live from Paradise' Concert. (H) (CC)	Psychic Detectives Fatehadeh disappears. (CC)	Detective Posse Overdose. (CC)	The Bob Newhart Show 'Ems has fear of living.' (CC)	
43	FOX	Remington Steele (CC)	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live	BET.com Countdown	Cops Portland. One, racial incidents. (CC)		Forensic Files Sci enters probe case investigated. (CC)	Forensic Files Sci enters probe case investigated. (CC)	Psychic Detectives Fatehadeh disappears. (CC)	Detective Posse Overdose. (CC)	The Bob Newhart Show 'Ems has fear of living.' (CC)	The Bob Newhart Show 'Ems has fear of living.' (CC)	
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46	COURT	NYPD Blue Spinoff and Sorenson investigate death of a woman whose phone is the main suspect. (CC)	The Simpsons (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	Star News Focus Asia		American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	
48	STR-IL	The Simpsons (CC)	The Drew Carey Show (CC)	Star News Focus Asia		American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	American Music Awards	
50	LIFE	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	How They Won With Mo Rocca (CC)		Investigating History 'Genghis Khan' A team searches for Genghis Khan's lost. (H) (CC)	Unshackled	Unshackled	Unshackled	Unshackled	Unshackled	Unshackled	
51	ABCAM	7th Heaven 'Lost and Found' Two Sorenson relatives take in Ruthie and Peter after they miss their bus. (CC)	Star News Focus Asia	Aerials of Route		Chasing Time 'Cape Town' Table Mountain. (CC)	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	
53	HIST	Clash of Warriors 'KamuiArchi Ya Yamashita' Gen. Tomoyuki Yamashita's dangerous weapon - Yamashita's. (CC)	Star News Focus Asia	Aerials of Route		Chasing Time 'Cape Town' Table Mountain. (CC)	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	
57	STR-M	6:50 *** 'Madame' (1987) Kim Basinger, Rip Torn. A woman tries to recover provocative photos of herself.	Star News Focus Asia	Aerials of Route		Chasing Time 'Cape Town' Table Mountain. (CC)	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	
58	ADV 1	4:30-30 X Power	Star News Focus Asia	Aerials of Route		Chasing Time 'Cape Town' Table Mountain. (CC)	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	Wild Passions	
59	MTV	Pimp My Ride	You've Got a Friend	Choose or Lose: Drop Lures	Choose or Lose: Election Eve Special	Pimp My Ride	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	Real World: Road Rules Challenge (CC)	
60	NICK	Julie 'Rugrats/SpongeBob SquarePants'	Julie 'The Wild Thornberrys'	Julie 'Calypso/The Bayou Beavers'	Julie 'As Told By Singer'	Rugrats Angela makes Santa quit. (H) (CC)	SpongeBob SquarePants (CC)	Even Stevens (CC)	Cousin Skeeter (CC)	Figure It Out	Legends of the Hidden Temple	Legends of the Hidden Temple	

## JAPAN TV

**Afternoon**  
12:30 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation (12)  
1:32 Grand Sumo: The 2nd Day (1)  
6:50 News (6)  
**Evening**  
7:00 News (1)  
12:00 News (1)  
10:00 Nikita (42)  
12:15 Grand Sumo Digest (1)  
1:26 Star Trek: DS9 (8)  
2:35 Classical Music (13X)  
4:00 Grand Sumo Digest (13X)

8:15 World News Hour  
10:10 BS World Documentary (r)  
11:15 CNN News  
**Afternoon**  
12:15 What's on as Asia (r)  
2:15 ABC News  
3:15 CNN News  
4:15 World News Hour  
**Evening**  
9:15 CNN News  
10:10 BS World Documentary: Global Warming (r)  
11:15 Detroit Lions vs. Jacksonville Jaguars  
1:15 Grand Sumo Digest  
2:15 Asian News  
3:15 World Amazing Sports

## JAPAN TV-BS11

**Morning**  
10:00 Classical Music: Japan Music Competition  
**Afternoon**  
1:00 Grand Sumo Tournament, 2nd Day (billboard after 4 p.m.)  
**Evening**  
7:15 News Today Asia  
10:00 TV Series: ER IX  
**Morning**  
7:30 Oswald No.41  
7:50 British-French Movie (2002): All or Nothing (H) (CC)  
10:00 U.S. Movie (1987): Robocop (1:45)

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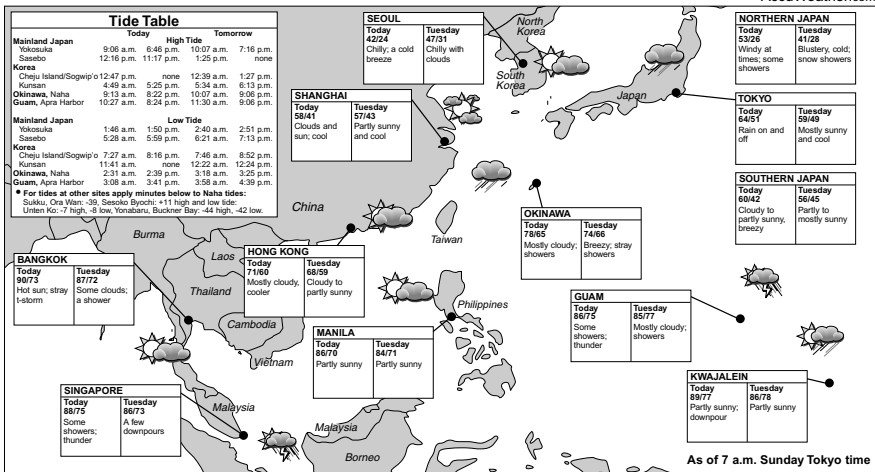
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1:30 TV Series: Sex and the City  
2:30 U.S. Movie (2003): The Lone Ranger  
3:00 U.S. Movie (1985): The Color Purple  
6:40 **Evening**  
6:50 Spanish Soccer Liga Espanola  
7:30 U.S. Movie (2002): Knockaround Guys  
10:35  
11:35 South Park 4 p.m.  
12:00 Spanish Soccer Liga Espanola  
2:30 U.S. Movie (2001): 3000 Miles to Go (1:45)  
4:40 U.S. Movie (1999): North by Northwest (2:20)  
**MTV**  
6:00 **Morning**  
6:00 Wake Up  
7:00 M Size Friday

8:00 Top Choice  
7:00 U.S. Movie (2003): Pure Music  
11:00 Top Choice  
**Afternoon**  
12:00 Rocks  
1:10 Classic  
2:30 Top Choice  
2:00 Pure Music  
3:00 Top Choice  
4:00 Top Choice Selection: Rock  
11:00 Top Choice  
**Evening**  
6:00 U.S. Movie Monday  
7:00 U.S. Movie (2001): 3000 Miles to Go  
9:00 Top Choice  
10:00 U.S. Movie (1999): North by Northwest  
11:00 U.S. Movie (1999): North by Northwest  
11:30 Live: The Music  
12:00 U.S. Movie (2001): 3000 Miles to Go  
1:00 U.S. Movie (1999): North by Northwest  
2:30 Check the Time  
3:00 After Hours

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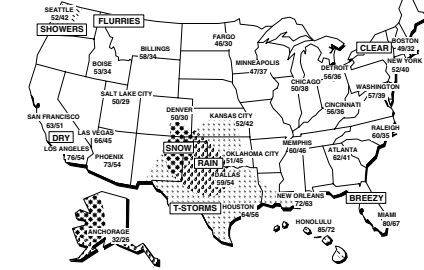
## Extended Forecasts

<b>TOKYO</b> Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 59, low 50. Thursday: Rain, high 61, low 56.	<b>KADENA</b> Wednesday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 77, low 69. Thursday: Clouds and sunshine, high 80, low 68.	<b>SEoul</b> Wednesday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 52, low 34. Thursday: Clouds and sunshine, high 54, low 37.	<b>MANILA</b> Wednesday: Partly sunny, high 85, low 72. Thursday: Partly sunny, high 85, low 72.	<b>HAGATNA</b> Wednesday: Thunderstorms, high 88, low 77. Thursday: Thunderstorms, high 86, low 78.
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## Saturday's USA Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	40/30	Los Angeles	68/52
Amarillo	35/31	Little Rock	56/41
Anchorage	36/29	Louisville	57/33
Ashville	54/28	Miami	54/70
Baltimore	47/28	Milwaukee	46/29
Birmingham	62/43	Nashville	59/38
Bismarck	54/27	New York	43/33
Boise	51/34	Omaha	50/25
Boston	37/28	Orlando	84/64
Brownsville	69/61	Philadelphia	46/29
Buffalo	39/27	Phoenix	65/22
Burlington	35/19	Pittsburgh	45/22
Charleston, SC	62/42	Portland, OR	54/42
Charlotte	59/32	Portland, ME	40/19
Cleveland	46/26	Salt Lake City	49/34
Columbus, OH	49/23	St. Louis	54/34
Duluth	44/18	San Antonio	54/50
El Paso	53/38	San Diego	69/56
Hartford	38/21	San Juan	87/76
Helena	39/15	Tampa	81/64
Indianapolis	47/26	Tulsa	56/39
Jacksville	73/57	Washington	50/31
Kansas City	52/33	Wichita	48/36

## Monday, November 15



## U.S. Eastern Forecast

High pressure will keep the East and Midwest dry Monday, but rain and snow will continue to plague the southern Plains and the mountains of New Mexico. On Tuesday, much of the Eastern and Western states will have dry weather, but showers will stretch from the southern Plains and Rockies northward to the Great Lakes states. By Wednesday, much of the country will remain free of precipitation with seasonable temperatures. The balance of rain and storminess will remain in southern New Mexico and western Texas.

## Monday's Pacific Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Bangkok	90/73	Iwakuni	61/41
Beijing	48/31	Kadena AB	78/65
Camp Casey	43/25	Kunsan AB	48/33
Christchurch	65/42	Kwajalein	89/77
Diego Garcia	83/75	Manila	86/70
Hagatna	86/75	Masawa AB	53/33
Hanoi	74/57	Osan	43/27
Hong Kong	71/60	Pertuth	67/61
Honolulu	85/72	Pusan	57/35

## Monday's World Temperatures

CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Acapulco	91/74	Budapest	42/35	Kabul	60/30
Athens	68/51	Buenos Aires	70/52	Kiev	41/34
Auckland	60/53	Cairo	96/70	Kuwait	80/59
Baghdad	83/53	Cancun	86/64	London	51/43
Barbados	87/71	Cape Town	26/62	Madrid	52/37
Barcelona	49/41	Geneva	39/34	Mexico City	67/42
Berlin	45/40	Istanbul	65/51	Montreal	43/29
Bermuda	66/55	Jerusalem	82/66	Moscow	89/75
Brussels	46/37	Johannesburg	39/53	Warsaw	44/31



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## Defending Electoral College

I am writing to anyone else who believes the Electoral College should be abolished as the means for electing our president in favor of a straight popular vote. You should read the article "Math Against Tyranny" by Will Hively, originally published in the November 1996 issue of Discover magazine (available online in the archives at [www.discover.com](http://www.discover.com)).

While the article explains several reasons why the Electoral College is better than a straight popular vote, the main reason is that the Electoral College makes your vote more important, not less.

In the most recent election, more than 115 million votes were cast. In a straight popular vote, each individual voter has only a 1-in-115 million chance of affecting the outcome of the election.

Even the closest presidential elections, the margin of victory is more than 100,000 votes, making it almost impossible for one vote to make any difference. However, by breaking up the vote into a series of smaller contests in each state, an individual voter has at least 10 times more chance to affect the election — because fewer votes are cast in each state compared to the whole country, one vote has more chance to affect the result. Thus, abolishing the Electoral College will have the opposite effect than most people believe; i.e. each vote becomes less important instead of more.

One suggestion I do like, though, is changing from a "winner-take-all" system to a proportional allocation of a state's electoral votes.

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I computed what would have happened this year if such a system were in place: Bush still won, but by eight fewer electoral votes.

In every presidential election year there are calls to abolish the Electoral College in favor of a straight popular vote. Hively's article clearly shows why this would be a terrible mistake for the voters themselves, and is a must-read for any student of our political system.

Air Force Lt. Col. Chris Lowe  
Brunssum, Netherlands

## Social Security plan predates Bush

George W. Bush could go down in history as the president who used private investment accounts to help save Social Security from calamity, and for that reason he owes a debt to Monica Lewinsky.

## Jay Ambrose

You see, there was another president — Bill Clinton — who had it in mind to rescue Social Security by employing private accounts in some fashion or the other, only ... he never got to the way.

Trying to fix Social Security is like wrestling with a bear and, because of the scandal, Clinton soon found himself wrestling with alligators. It looked as if Congress might give him from the White House, and he focused on keeping his job, an effort that a major and pervasive controversial proposal would have made harder.

The interest of the Democratic president in using private accounts is nevertheless im-

portant to keep in mind, seeing as how some have demonized the approach as a Republican scheme to enrich Wall Street.

Other Democrats also have believed stocks could be a buoy for the system, among them the late Daniel Patrick Moynihan, one of the Senate's foremost intellectuals. Moynihan chaired a presidential commission on Social Security early in the Bush administration. He and his fellow commissioners ... offered up a variety of plans that would make use of the stock market and compound interest and give Social Security another revenue stream besides taxes. That is important because the baby boomers who are now producing so many of those tax dollars fairly soon are going to be on the receiving end, taking those tax dollars instead. Not long after they begin retiring in large numbers, the payroll tax that has financed the transfers will no longer be sufficient. ...

Something then has to give. You can hike taxes, putting an unbearable load on young workers, and that is the future. Or you can fix it, easing the pain on the young but inflicting it on the elderly. You might also do some combination — and maybe that's inevitable, except the degree to the tax hikes and the benefit reductions can be lessened if you

## Elections meant to divide

This Web site — [www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2004/pages/results/status/US/PO/02polls.0.html](http://www.cnn.com/ELECTION/2004/pages/results/status/US/PO/02polls.0.html) — tells you everything you need to know about Red vs. Blue America. The data at [www.asiatoday.com/news/polls/election2004/counymaphm](http://www.asiatoday.com/news/polls/election2004/counymaphm) confirms that as the liberals and media would like us to believe — the data show a clear and convincing win by President Bush.

In addition, call me crazy, but isn't that the elections are for Aren't elections supposed to divide us between those who support the ideas of one candidate and those who support the ideas of another candidate? If the Democrats were really so concerned about unity, why didn't they forgo the 2004 elections in the name of national unity? If unity were so important to the liberals they could have simply said, "Because we are interested in national unity, we choose to not further divide the American people with a contentious election. We cede the control of the nation to the Republicans until such a time as we are more united."

The only time unity means anything to these people is when they have lost an election. Liberals are perfectly happy to have a divided nation as long as they are in charge of it. But when they are losers, all they can do is whine about how divided we are.

Doug Schumick  
Stuttgart, Germany

first permit young workers to opt to have two percentage points or perhaps more of their 12.4 percent payroll tax deductions applied to private accounts.

There are all kinds of objections to the idea, most of which melt away in the sunshine of explanation. No, the workers under most plans would not have freedom to invest any old way they saw fit, but would be limited to well-balanced plans of the kind that have always done well over periods of a decade and more. Yes, there would be transition costs ... but it's not as if the money that goes into the accounts is lost to the system, whereas surplus Social Security dollars are now spent on other programs.

To his credit, President Bush has put Social Security at the top of his domestic agenda. As we get to know the specifics, there will be fair and honest questions that can be asked, and the opposition party should ask them. But if the Democrats start telling us that the idea of investment accounts is the kind of wickedness that can be expected of fat-cat-loving Republicans, someone should tap them on the shoulder and whisper a name in their ear: Bill Clinton.

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## BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## Doonesbury



## OPINION

## Will Gonzales pick up where Ashcroft left off?

The Washington Post

Attorney General John Ashcroft's decision to step down is welcome. Mr. Ashcroft struck a polarizing tone as the nation's chief law enforcement officer over the past four years; lower-key leadership that seeks common ground could make a world of difference.

Unfortunately, President Bush's lightning-quick choice to replace him, White House Counsel Alberto Gonzales, has not been a stranger to controversy either. While less famous, Mr. Gonzales, one of the president's most loyal lieutenants here as he was in Austin, Texas, has been an architect of harmful policies related to the prisoner abuse scandal and the war on terrorism more generally. He brings a lot of baggage to the job of healing the breach his predecessor created, haggling the Senate Judiciary Committee should inspect carefully.

Mr. Ashcroft was nominated as a one-term senator, fresh off a re-election defeat, to please Mr. Bush's conservative base, with full knowledge that he would infuriate Democrats. Mr. Ashcroft did not disappoint, with especially unfortunate results after Sept. 11, 2001.

He not only pushed controversial policy proposals but also used rhetoric that questioned the patriotism and the war on terrorism with him, and he inappropriately

hyped indictments and arrests. Mr. Ashcroft's Justice Department wrote a legal opinion suggesting that legal restrictions on torture might be unconstitutional. He presided over an alarming roundup of immigrants after the Sept. 11 attacks. Mr. Ashcroft's public persona made building a consensus on profoundly difficult questions all the harder.

Yet the USA Patriot Act probably would not have been attorney general and in any event it wasn't nearly as threatening as its critics believed. And Mr. Ashcroft, on some issues, been a voice of moderation; the Justice Department pushed within the administration for a more reasonable approach to the detention of enemy combatants domestically, for example. In fact, on these issues, the outgoing attorney general was sometimes outflanked on the right by the man the president has chosen to replace him.

Mr. Gonzales, soft-spoken, smart and discreet, has won the admiration of many in Washington. The son of migrant workers, he would be the first Hispanic to serve as attorney general. And respect some of his views, particularly his stance on affirmative action, for the same reason that conservatives might have opposed his nomination to the job.

But his nomination also raises questions. Although there is a long tradition of presi-



dents naming close friends, campaign managers and even relatives to head the Justice Department, we think the post would be better filled by more independent figures. Such nominees were available to the president; either of the men who have

served Mr. Ashcroft as deputy attorneys general, Larry Thompson or James Comey, for example. Most of all, the Senate should carefully examine Mr. Gonzales' role in the decisions that helped lead to the Abu Ghraib scandal.

## Families of fallen troops deserve equal treatment

The battle for Fallujah had just begun and Anthony Principi, the secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, spoke passionately to a group of reporters about the need to improve the services to those who would return maimed for life either physically or mentally from the Iraq experience to join their dwindling number of comrades so afflicted from other conflicts.

Dan Thomasson



He noted that warfare against insurgency, when any innocuous doorway an innocent-looking child may pose a death threat, carries with it more stress than traditional combat between uniformed troops. This condition produces anguish among its victims that requires special and costly treatment — help that if it is not forthcoming can leave those who suffer from it more debilitated than from the loss of a limb.

The former Navy officer who served in Vietnam talked of the urgency for the government to extend insurance coverage to the families of those men and women who suffer catastrophic injuries, not just to the loved ones of those who lose their lives on the battlefield. Their financial needs are often greater in caring for their injured sons and daughters, husbands and wives, than those who suffer the initial shock of death, are paid \$250,000 and then carry on.

Principi's remarks to reporters came on the eve of Veterans Day and they were especially poignant and dramatic when juxtaposed against headlines that disclosed that the surviving relatives of 9/11 victims had received compensation that has made them wealthy far beyond what most Americans can ever dream of achieving. The av-

erage for families of civilians killed in the attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon and in the airline crash in Pennsylvania that horrible day is \$3.1 million. For the survivors of those in uniform, police and firefighters, the average is \$4.2 million.

In all, the payout for business and individuals by insurance, taxpayers and charity was estimated at \$38 billion. The amount paid by the Victims Compensation Fund (i.e., by the taxpayers) established by Congress to prevent devastating suits against the nation's airlines was a whopping \$7 billion. In addition, of course, there was a sizable contribution from private charity as millions of Americans opened their hearts and wallets for billions of dollars more. Insurance companies added about \$16 billion.

As staggering as the sums are, they are less jarring than the fact that suddenly Americans can become fabulously rich off such tragedy, that the families of a mailroom clerk or a multimillionaire executive who simply were in the wrong place at the wrong time have benefited to such

an extreme by their deaths. It is even more disturbing when one considers all those victims and their survivors through all the wars and other disasters who, as Principi put it, never asked for a penny.

It is as though their sacrifices were incidental or trivial compared to those of 9/11.

If terrorism is the key here, what about those whose lives were so shockingly disrupted by the bombing in Oklahoma City? Does terrorism have to originate overseas before this kind of compensation is considered appropriate? Certainly money can't replace the losses suffered on Sept. 11, 2001. The families of those victims need and deserve more than just our sympathy. But the question becomes just how much more before the compensation becomes a ludicrous bribe to keep them from devastating a crucial industry in the courtroom? How patriotic are those victims that they would even consider such a thing? And for that matter just how wise was it for Congress to create that precedent in the first place?

My daughter-in-law was just a child when her father, a Vietnam veteran suffer-

ing from one of the first recognized cases of trauma from such an experience, took his own life one afternoon despite extended treatment. She and her sister and mother were devastated, but they never demanded or received compensation for their loss, which was as clearly linked to the war as if he had been killed in the jungle.

Principi wants to change some of that so American veterans can be considered as worthy as those who put in claims for exposure to dust and other possible health hazards near Ground Zero and were paid \$660 million, \$380 million of it from the U.S. Treasury and tax-free.

What is the difference between one whose son or daughter perishes in Iraq and another whose husband or wife or son or daughter died on Sept. 11? Both, after all, have been victimized by that hideous event for which we wouldn't be in Iraq if it had not occurred. Shouldn't we now make the treatment equal?

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## Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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## School tax spat

**CA** LOS ANGELES — A lawyer for an Orthodox Jewish couple claimed Monday the Internal Revenue Service has unfairly refused to allow tax deductions for their children's religious schooling.

Michael and Marla Sklar claim that since Church of Scientology members are allowed to write off the cost of spiritual counseling sessions, they should be allowed to write off their children's Jewish school tuition.

The nonjury trial opened Monday in U.S. Tax Court before Judge John O. Colvin.

## Security lawsuit

**MA** BOSTON — A civil rights group filed a lawsuit Wednesday challenging a controversial security system at Logan International Airport that allows police to stop and question people they believe demonstrate suspicious circumstances.

Logan was the first airport in the country to launch new baggage screening practices at each terminal. In November 2002, it began the nation's first "behavioral recognition program," in which police stop and question passengers with odd or suspicious behavior.

The lawsuit, filed in Suffolk Superior Court by the American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts, comes three years after the Sept. 11 terror attacks were launched from Logan. Since then, the airport has won numerous accolades for overhauling its security system.

The process, based on a program at Israel's airports, trains police to look for behavior that is considered odd or suspicious. State police have insisted that they do not select people to question based on ethnicity or race.

## Chipper accident

**CA** SAN JOSE — A man who worked for a tree service died Sunday after his leg was sucked into a wood chipper.

Miguel Marquez, 19, an employee of Arbor Science Inc. of San Jose, was working with a crew trimming trees when the accident occurred, said police spokeswoman Gina Teoport.

She said Marquez had apparently been trying to push some debris into the chipper with his left leg when the leg became stuck and was severed above the knee. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

## Pricey pooch missing

**MN** EDINA — Last week, Abby was just a precious family pet.

Today, she's the subject of a dog hunt involving two suburban police departments and a possible felony charge.

"She's the greatest dog in the world," said Steve Brehm, owner of the diminutive 7-year-old Cavalier King Charles spaniel that he and his wife, Gayle, believe was stolen from their front yard last week.

Two things make Abby's abduction file different: two witnesses to the apparent abduction and Abby's original price tag of \$1,650. Theft reaches the felony level if the goods — whether a snowblower or a schnauzer — are valued at \$500 or more.

## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

### Sea-dwelling surprise

**GA** SAVANNAH — Researchers working off coastal Georgia have discovered what could be three new species of bottom-dwelling creatures known as sea squirts.

The diminutive creatures — also known as tunicates — were recently found at Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, a reef 17.5 miles east of Georgia's Sapelo Island.

Two of the sea squirts — one orange-colored with vein-like designs running through it and another spherical with evenly-spaced holes — are about four inches in size. The third is about the size of a grape.

Marine biologist Danny Gleason of Georgia Southern University made the discovery, along with four of his students, but has turned to a tunicate expert to help determine whether the animals are truly new to science.

### Drug gang round-up

**RI** PROVIDENCE — A major drug trafficking operation by the capital city's largest and most organized gang has been broken up, law enforcement authorities said Wednesday.

Officials said 21 members of the Latin Kings street gang or their associates have been either arrested or indicted by a federal grand jury for their involvement in a drug traf-

ficking ring.

They said the arrests have weakened the Latin Kings in Rhode Island, which has more than 100 members in the state and has regrouped in the last three years.

The gang's leader, Joel Francisco, who went by the nickname Joe Crack, was charged in four indictments, including possession with intent to distribute 500 grams or more of cocaine. His girlfriend is accused of using her home as a stash house for the drugs.

### Fatal prosthetic failure

**UT** MAGNA — An amputee whose artificial leg fell off as he crossed the street was struck and killed by a car as he crawled back to pick up the limb.

Motorists stopped to try to help Allen Coleman, 42, but could not reach him before he was run over along a dark stretch of highway Monday night, authorities said.

No charges were filed against the driver.

### Statue procrastination

**PA** PHILADELPHIA — Some black leaders and scholars are accusing the National Park Service of dragging its feet on a congressional order to commemorate slaves kept by George Washington at the first presidential mansion.

Congress directed the park service two years ago to build a monument at the site, which is just steps from the Liberty Bell at Philadelphia's Independence National Historical Park, but it remains vacant and unacknowledged.

The commemoration would be the first federal memorial to slavery in the nation.

### Escapee back in court

**TN** NASHVILLE — A prison inmate who escaped with help from a female prison guard and then fled the state will be tried in state court.

A federal charge of escape from custody against Edward McDaniel, 37, was dropped Tuesday, said Bret Hester, an assistant U.S. attorney in Nashville.

McDaniel has been moved to state custody, TBI spokeswoman Jennifer Johnson said.

McDaniel, who was serving a 20-year attempted-murder sentence for shooting a deputy in 1996, was discovered missing Oct. 3 from the DeBerry Special Needs Facility with a correctional officer, Vickie Sanford, 51.

The two were caught together five days later in a motel room in El Paso, Texas.

### School stowaway

**CO** DENVER — A disabled boy who fell asleep on a school bus Tuesday morning was discovered more than an hour later, locked inside the bus parked at a district bus terminal.

The boy's mother, Nicol Castruita-Rodriguez, said her son, Alex, 9, a third-grader at Kaiser Elementary School, was fine. She was not.

"I was pretty hysterical," said Castruita-Rodriguez, who also said it's the second time her son has been lost on a school bus.

"They said they found my son still on the school bus," the mother said. "He was locked in the bus, standing at the back of the bus, not knowing where he was."



Having too much fun to be cold Gary Tekautz, 4, of Phoenix, Ariz., didn't let cold temperatures Wednesday interrupt his vacation. Tekautz, who was visiting relatives in Virginia, Minn., burred up enough to enjoy an afternoon at the Southside Park playground in Virginia.



Leaf play Jordan Stull, 8, right, and Abbi Chase, 7, play with leaves after school Thursday at the Roosevelt Elementary School playground in Ames, Iowa.



### Store burns

**Flint, Mich., firefighters watch Thursday night as smoke and steam rise from Savon Foods store in Flint, as a ladder truck pours water on it. The neighborhood grocery store was gutted by flames, stretching the city's fire department to the limit as it battled two fires on the same block.**

Lightning sparks start of front thunder storms through the Fort Smith, Ark., area Wednesday.



**Just being a kid again**  
in Olathe, Kan.

Olathe, Kansas, resident Michael Cook enjoys the unseasonably warm weather Tuesday evening while swinging at Oregon Trail Park in Olathe, Kan.



**Tricky footing**  
Michael Markese, 7, makes his way through a funhouse Thursday at the Family Days carnival at Port Orange City Center in Port Orange, Fla.



**A real banquet**

A squirrel munches on a pumpkin, a remnant of Halloween, on Thursday in Kansas City, Mo.



**Artistic ice**  
Ice crystals in a drainage ditch in Kragens, Minn., formed overnight with a Thursday morning low of 17 degrees.

## Hospitality gone awry

**FL** ELLENTON — A motel manager was charged with holding a bus of Special Olympics athletes at gunpoint after a dispute about where the group should park.

John Embry, 47, was charged with aggravated assault and false imprisonment and was being held Sunday without bail, the Manatee County Sheriff's Office said.

Embry, manager of the Sleep Inn, held the bus at gunpoint for 10 minutes Friday because he did not want the bus parked in the motel's small lot, police said.

The competitors had returned to the hotel to change for a dance, dinner and awards ceremony. There were 19 athletes on board, ages 8 to 22, and nine adult chaperones.

"The vast majority of the athletes didn't know what was going on. The adult chaperones were more shaken up," said Amie Dugan, a spokeswoman for Special Olympics Florida.

## Toddler finds drugs

**WA** UNIVERSITY PLACE — A 2-year-old girl picked up something at a local day care late last week — and it wasn't the flu.

The girl's mother told police she found a plastic bag filled with what appeared to be drugs inside her daughter's pocket after she picked her up from day care. The bag was folded inside a dollar bill, the woman said.

The girl told her mom she'd found the package on the living-room floor of the day care she attends in Tacoma, according to a police report.

Police seized the package. The substance inside tested positive for amphetamine, according to the report. No one was arrested.

## Sites lined up for prison

**NH** BERLIN — The city has lined up three potential sites for a medium-security federal prison.

Two of the sites are on land owned by Hancock Timber Resource Group. The third site is on city-owned property off Route 110.

Now, Berlin officials hope to see the next stage of the process — an environmental assessment — get under way quickly. That process can take up to 24 months to complete.

Residents approved a referendum supporting a federal prison in Berlin in May 2002.

## Dog is the hero

**FL** LARGO — The first time the dog jumped on his chest Tuesday, Joseph Favre tossed the tiny pooch across the room and went back to sleep.

But Gizmo would not give up. He jumped on Favre's chest again, barking and scratching at his face. Favre cocked his arm for another toss, then inhaled a nose full of smoke.

His mobile home was on fire, the kitchen engulfed in flames and smoke thickening across the living room ceiling.

With Gizmo at his feet, Favre made for the door, dashed outside and called 911. Within seconds, his Largo mobile home was awash in fire.

The blaze gutted the home and destroyed everything inside.

But Favre, who said he's a heavy sleeper, felt lucky to be alive and had Gizmo to thank for that.

"This is my hero right here," Favre, 28, said of the mix. "If the dog wouldn't have woken me up, I would have been crisp."

## Legacy of hero lives on

**NE** OMAHA — The legacy of Korean War hero Edward "Babe" Gomez lives on in his native Omaha. Several hundred people attended a ceremony for an \$8 million school dedicated to Edward "Babe" Gomez Heritage Elementary School. The U.S. Marine saved his comrades in 1951 when he threw himself on a missile that was about to explode.

## UCConn suspends frat

**CT** STORRS — The University of Connecticut suspended an on-campus fraternity for five years in the wake of an off-campus keg party. Eight people, including four fraternity members, were arrested after a party in September at a house rented by the school's chapter of Chi Phi.

## Jury: No racial issue

**TX** DALLAS — A federal jury has acquitted a Dallas real estate worker of violating an Iranian-born taxi driver's civil rights during a scuffle at a fast-food restaurant in 2002.

The jury returned the verdict Wednesday after a three-day trial. "Everybody in the world could see I was not guilty," Curtis Murillo said in a story in Friday's editions of The Dallas Morning News.

Murillo was named in a federal indictment two years after a Dallas County grand jury decided to charge Murillo with aggravated assault in the scuffle with Fezollah Esmailli.

The men gave conflicting accounts of the scuffle, which began with Murillo honking his horn at Esmailli in a drive-through lane.

Both men accused the others of using bias-filled slurs. Murillo testified he hit Esmailli with a car jack only after Esmailli hit him with a fire extinguisher.

Jurors had to decide if Murillo was trying to deny Esmailli the right to eat in a restaurant because of his nationality.

## New chunkin champ

**MI** HOWELL — A businessman's effort to defend his pumpkin-hurling title literally fell short.

Bruce Bradford and his nine-ton contraption held the World Championship Pumpkin Chunkin' title for two years. But a rival's machine claimed the crown by shooting a gourd that soared 4,224 feet before a crowd of about 40,000 in Sussex County, Del.

Bradford's mechanical device finished second in the field of 100, sending an 8- to 10-pound pumpkin 4,056 feet across a farmer's field with a blast of compressed air.

"Well, we're first-place losers, so we're not too happy about that," Bradford, 57, owner of S&G Steel Erectors in Howell.

He even found a silver lining: Not having to lug home the trophy, which required a forklift to load it onto a trailer to bring it to the 18th annual competition.

"At least we don't have to haul that big ugly thing home," he said. "It's the ugliest trophy in the world," said Bradford, whose tournament record of 4,594 feet set in 2003 remained intact.

Stories and photos from wire reports

# Horoscope

The Capricorn moon locks an agenda into place, and it feels like the only choice is to accomplish that mission with soldier-like proficiency. Small talk? Don't have time. Artistry and style? After the dishes are done! Try not to be militaristic in areas that require a more nuanced approach, like romance, or you could wind up hurting feelings.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (November 15).** You grab life by the horns this year! This month, final decisions are made on a long-term project. Rewards still seem distant, but by the first week of the new year, the flow of abundance opens up. Make sure you're using your talents in February. You'll meet love while in a giving cycle. Romantic exchanges are rich with Aquarius and Pisces.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Bust out your old diary, dust off that griller in your closet, and get into those boxed-away clothes. Memories inform you about who you are now. A sweet person from the past re-enters the scene. This time, don't lose touch.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Purchases from the Internet, wholesalers and discount stores are winners. It's not so much about the actual money you'll save. It's more that you get a sense of pride from realizing how financially capable you are.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Loved ones can play your heart like a harp, but don't let the angelic plucking disguise the fact that problems have not exactly been kept. Instead of letting things slide, make a new agreement that can be more readily kept.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Getting your needs met will save you from later trouble. Perhaps you're baying with someone's expectations, but you can't get yourself to stop. Consider what your real desire is. Once you know it, it's satisfied in an instant.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** You're heady with a sense of empowerment. Down with outdated ways of doing things — revolt! You

mind/body connection is strengthened, making it possible for you to heal yourself, control your weight or prevent headaches.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** A stealth mission is featured. It's up to you to ferret out the key information and relay it to your team. Being well informed gives you the edge, but don't exclude your primal intuition, which will focus you right in on the hot button.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Hesitation is the enemy act now and now and now! Love won't wait! On a practical note, you can delegate more to specialists. Fix it yourself, and you'll likely break it further and watch your money swirl down the drain.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** You've got the answer to your identity issues, so trust yourself — as Gavin DeGraw sings. "I'm tired of looking round rooms, wondering what I've got to do or who I'm supposed to be. I don't want to be anything other than me!"

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** You see your world through a romantic lens, fragrant breezes shifting shadowy clouds, sunset and fireflies, and suddenly, you're taking out the garbage. Real life can be such an interruption.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Your exquisite handling of prickly people earns you a reputation — not that you want to be the go-to person for the world's most difficult personalities, but there are special privileges that reward your versatility.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Perfection is overrated. You're not Barbie or Ken (as the case may be) after all. Once you throw out the notion that appearances are more important than what is inside, "plastic" problems and people disappear from your life.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** When you're with your special someone, time isn't present. There's no beginning and no end (so it's no wonder you forgot to pay that bill or answer that call). Singles: Obsessing over your crush of the moment is a guilty pleasure.

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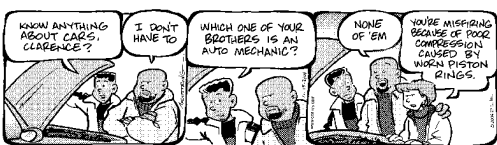
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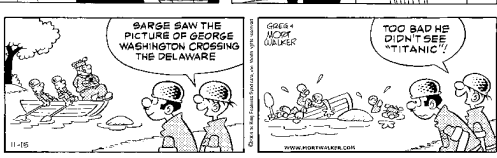
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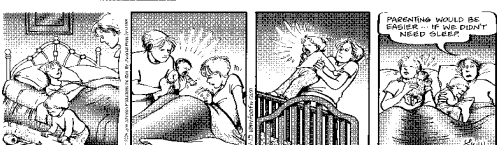
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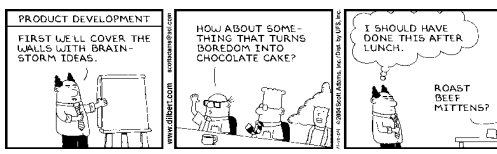
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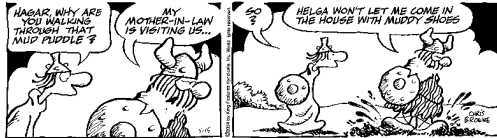
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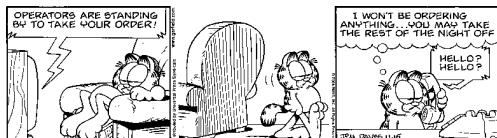
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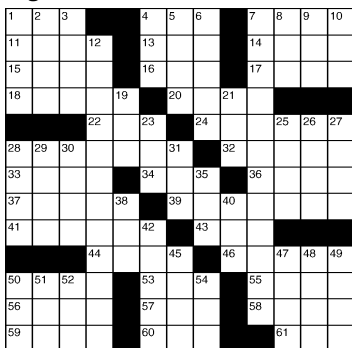
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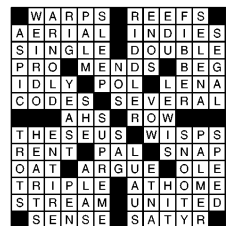
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- 7 Spill the beans
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- 13 Bird often served au vin
- 14 Ashcroft's predecessor
- 15 Beehive State
- 16 Perfume label word
- 17 Simple
- 18 Refusal to Jose?
- 20 Elite alternative
- 22 Bottom line
- 24 Cantor, e.g.
- 28 Singer Janet
- 32 Unspoken "I dunno"
- 33 Troubles
- 34 Spot on a die
- 36 Piquancy
- 37 Ecu
- 39 Nightwear
- 41 Come to an end
- 43 Tie up the phone
- 44 Seductress
- 46 Has possibilities
- 50 New Zealand bird
- 53 Thickness
- 55 Actor Wyle
- 56 Green land
- 57 Ball-bearing item
- 58 Was philanthropic
- 59 Posse
- 60 Shirl bark

### Down

- 1 Avoid
- 2 Ford or Lincoln
- 3 Showdown command
- 4 Expert
- 5 "Passions," e.g.
- 6 Small
- 7 Very exciting
- 8 Meadow
- 9 Response (Abbr.)
- 10 Tarzan's son
- 12 Big parade day
- 19 "Absolutely"
- 21 Lettuce variety
- 23 Upper portion
- 25 Streetcar
- 26 Mott type
- 27 Breakfast staples
- 28 Agree
- 29 Emcee
- 30 Film fragment
- 31 Pinch
- 35 Remuneration
- 38 Mount stat
- 40 Pack like sardines
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- 52 Triumph
- 54 "Uh-huh"

### Answer to Previous Puzzle



## 11-15 CRYPTOQUIP

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**Saturday's Cryptquip:** I ONCE SAW A MINISTER REHEARSING HIS SERMON. I GUESS HE PRACTICES WHAT HE PREACHES.

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# Patient Syracuse zoned in against Princeton

The Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — When Syracuse won the 2003 national championship, the Orange flustered every opponent in the NCAA tournament with coach Jim Boheim's favorite weapon — his 2-3 zone defense.

Now much has changed for the Orange, and Princeton found that out Friday night in Syracuse's 56-45 victory in the second round of the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic.

After racing to a nine-point lead against Syracuse's man defense, the Tigers (1-1) struggled to get their motion offense to work after No. 6 Syracuse (2-0) switched to the zone.

"We did a very poor job on our man-to-man," Boheim said. "We felt all along we would play some zone but felt we could get by a little longer than we did. As it was, we waited too long."

The Tigers went 6-for-9 and reeled off a 14-2 spurt while the Orange hit just two of 11 shots. Scott Greenwood's three-point game Princeton a 14-5 lead despite two shot-clock violations.

Enter the zone, exit the Tigers. Princeton finished the game 15-for-38, shooting just 39 percent in the second half. And after Max Schaefer's three-pointer tied it 40-40 with 8:41 left, the Tigers managed only five free throws the remainder of the game.

"We just about put ourselves in position to have a chance to win the game," first-year Princeton coach Joe Scott said. "Syracuse couldn't guard us man-to-man, but they have something to go to that really is their staple. I don't know if there's another team in America that could have done that to us."

Haim Warrick's 20 points for Syracuse, which advanced to the semifinals at Madison Square Garden on Thursday night against No. 12 Mississippi State.

Princeton, which beat Bucknell 61-48 in the first round, held on against the Orange until the closing minutes.

Syracuse led 28-22 at halftime and built a 34-24 lead on a three-point play by Warwick with 17:13 remaining.



Syracuse's Josh Pace, left, battles Princeton's Luke Owings for a loose ball Friday night.

The Tigers rallied, but it was a struggle. They needed 10 passes to set up Luke Owings' layup that tied it 37-37.

"We keyed in on defense," said Terrence Roberts, who had eight points and six rebounds for the Orange despite a sore left knee. "That was the main thing. We knew we had to be mentally prepared to play defense."

Will Venable led the Tigers with 17 points and six rebounds and Jordan Wallace had 11 points. Demetrius Nichols had 14 points for the Orange.

In the first round, the Orange hit nine of their first 10 shots, jumped to a 24-0 lead and beat Northern Colorado 104-54. It wasn't so easy against the Tigers.

"We had to match their physical aggression, and I think we did a pretty good job of that," said Venable, who was 5-for-5 from the floor, hit all six of his free throws, and

led the Tigers with six rebounds. "It's a tough matchup with Syracuse. They're big and long and strong. It was a challenge."

**Mississippi State 55, Birmingham-Southern 48:** At Birmingham, Ala., 12th-ranked Mississippi State struggled offensively in their second game without preseason All-America Lawrence Roberts, but still managed to earn a trip to New York for next week's semifinals and finals.

Roberts, who said he expects to play against Syracuse, missed a 53-49 victory over Fairfield on Thursday night as he served a one-game suspension from the NCAA over expenses he received to attend a tryout before the NBA Draft. The 6-foot-10 senior didn't play against Birmingham-Southern because of a broken nose suffered last week in practice.

Winsome Frazier led the Bulldogs

against Birmingham-Southern (1-1), scoring 18 points, including Mississippi State's last 10 of the game.

In other games Friday:

**Saint Mary's 61, California 52:** At Berkeley, Calif., E.J. Rowland had 17 points and 12 rebounds as Saint Mary's advanced to the Coaches vs. Cancer semifinals next Thursday at Madison Square Garden against the winner of the Memphis region. George Mason and No. 24 Memphis play Saturday night.

Jonathan Sanders had 17 points and eight rebounds and Brett Collins added 15 points for the Gaels (2-0).

The Gaels came out in a scrappy man-to-man defense to fluster and outshine the speedy Bears (1-1). Saint Mary's converted 22 of 26 free throws — 10-of-12 by Rowland — shot 41 percent and held a 38-32 rebounding edge.

Chiotto and Granger dominated the smaller Aggies inside. Chiotto was 8-for-9 and Granger was 5-for-8.

Booker led the Aggies with 18 points, 15 in the first half.

**Santa Clara 74, Duquesne 65:** At Albuquerque, Doran Perkins scored 24 points and Tristan Parham had 10 points and 11 rebounds. Santa Clara opened the season with a victory in the NABC Classic.

The Broncos took a 1-3 lead and stayed in control the rest of the way. Jack Higgins led Duquesne with 15 points.

The Dukes twice got within five points in the second half, the latter at 71-65, but were two free throws by Kieron Acharya with 1:06 left. Kyle Bailey hit four free throws in the final 57 seconds for Santa Clara.

# Thanks to football, ACC basketball faces new day

BY ERIC PRISBEILL

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The Atlantic Coast Conference will open its 52nd season as competitively strong and talent-rich as ever, with six teams nationally ranked in the first round, including three in the top four.

But in the past year, the conference's makeup and reputation have been altered by factors that previously only affected other leagues.

For the first time at Duke and North Carolina, the ACC's vanguard, committed recruits opt to turn pro rather than play, even for a year. And because of football-driven expansion, the league for the first time will not crown what many view as a true regular season champion. The changing landscape has caused some to question whether the conference will lose some of the uniqueness that consistently made it one of the nation's most attractive leagues.



Because of the additions of Virginia Tech and Miami this season, the ACC had to forgo its traditional double-round-robin schedule in which every school plays every other twice. Instead, schools will retain a 16-game conference schedule, but will play four teams only once — shifting rivalries and giving some teams distant scheduling advantages.

For Wake Forest coach Skip Prosser, the format change is the "most dramatic casualty" of expansion.

"Your regular season champion — there will always be a question mark," Prosser said. "There will always be that cloud, if you will."

Even amid change, league coaches applauded the confer-

ence's power and depth. Last season, the ACC became the first conference to have five teams seeded fourth or higher in the NCAA tournament.

The league earned the highest regular season Ratings Percentage Index mark ever recorded. And the quarterfinal round of the ACC tournament was so contentious, it was dubbed "Bloody Friday."

This year, it is better, largely because 20 of the ACC's top 25 scorers return, as does Duke's Mike Krzyzewski, the sport's most accomplished coach who spurned an offer during the offseason to coach the Los Angeles Lakers. Many coaches say there has never been a better league in any one season than what the ACC promises to be this year.

"I really don't even want to think about it," said Prosser, whose team is considered the league favorite in several polls. "If I thought about it, I might just leave, keep driving and go back to Pittsburgh or off into the sunset."

North Carolina's Roy Williams, the former Kansas coach, remembers the recent power of 12 in 2002 and 2003. In those two years combined, Big 12 teams held six slots in the national quarterfinals and four spots in the Final Four. "But I don't think anything compares to what we have in the ACC right now," Williams said. "This year, it's probably the best league I have ever been involved in."

Added Clemson assistant Kevin Nickselberry: "When the fifth-best team in the conference is Duke, that's scary."

The Blue Devils' predicament is symbolic of the difficulties in recruiting and retaining players. Duke reached the Final Four last season with only one impact senior, Chris Duhon, but the Blue Devils couldn't keep incoming recruit Shaun Livingston and freshman Luol Deng, both of whom were selected among the top seven in the NBA draft.

As a result, Duke was not picked by the media to win the

ACC title for the first time since 1999.

"I've been asked, 'Well, you're not on the radar screen anymore,'" Krzyzewski said. "Are you kidding me? We're not on the radar screen? We'll always be on the radar screen. Now, whether you want us or if you don't want us there, we're there."

North Carolina nearly lost two recruits to the NBA, but Marvin Williams decided against turning pro even though he was touted as a top 20 pick. Another Tar Heels recruit, J.R. Smith, whose draft stock soared only after strong performances in spring all-star games, was the 18th pick.

The driving force behind expansion, which concludes when Boston College joins next fall, was to strengthen the football conference and stage a lucrative conference championship game. Many, however, counter that it has weakened ACC basketball — Virginia Tech and Miami are expected to be the league's worst teams and disrupted tradition. In any event, as Krzyzewski said, "You move on."

# Forbes: NHL overstated financial losses

The Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — The NHL suffered less than half the losses it has claimed the past two years, according to a report in Forbes magazine.

In an article in its Nov. 29 edition, the business magazine — which did not have access to all of the 30 teams' financial records — estimates the NHL lost a combined \$96 million last season, not \$224 million as reported by the league.

For the 2002-03 season, in which the NHL lost \$273 million, Forbes estimates they were actually about \$123 million.

The discrepancy occurred because several NHL teams aren't accounting for all their revenue, Forbes reported. The magazine said the NHL included only half of the \$17 million the New York Islanders got last year for cable broadcasts, for example.

William Wirtz, who owns the Chicago Blackhawks, also owns half of the United Center, where the team plays. Forbes said that the arena's 212 suites pulled in \$15 million last season, money that wasn't included in the league's numbers. The United Center is a separate corporate entity from the Blackhawks, the magazine reported.

"The Forbes article is factually

inaccurate in numerous respects and is not based on any of the actual information that would be needed to support its claims," Bill Daly, the NHL's chief legal officer, told The Canadian Press on Friday. "It is nothing short of irresponsible journalism."

The great losses are why the NHL is shut down every year by a lockout, imposed by Commissioner Gary Bettman in September following the expiration of the collective bargaining agreement with the players association. Through Friday, 200 regular-season games and the All-Star Game were called off.

The NHL stands by its numbers, pointing to the league-commissioned audit by former Securities & Exchange Commission Chairman Arthur Levitt. Levitt's study found NHL clubs lost \$273 million in 2002-03.

## Crew's Fraser, Rapids' Cannon among those honored by MLS

CARSON, Calif. — Robin Fraser of the Columbus Crew was selected Friday as Major League Soccer's top defender of 2004, and Joe Cannon of the Colorado Rapids was chosen as the league's top goalkeeper.

Other award winners announced were rookie of the year Clint Dempsey of the New England Revolution and comeback player of the year Brian Ching of the San Jose Earthquakes.

Greg Andrulis, who guided Columbus to a 12-5-13 record that included a league-record 18-match unbeaten streak to finish the regular season, was chosen as coach of the year.

The 37-year-old Fraser, who was the defender of the year in 1999 with Los Angeles, helped Columbus finish second in the league in goals allowed with 32. The Crew also recorded 10 shutouts.

Cannon was the lone goalkeeper in the league to play every minute this season. He made 150 saves in the regular season, and had an 80.2 saves percentage, and logged 10 shutouts.

## Diaz leads LPGA's Tournament of Champions

MOBILE, Ala. — Laura Diaz is too busy trying to win the Tournament of Champions to worry about qualifying for the season-ending event.

Diaz took the second-round lead Friday in the Tournament of Champions, shooting a 5-under 67 to put herself into position to advance to the ADT Championship next week with a top-30 spot on the money list. She entered the

week 36th, \$33,923 behind No. 30 Stacy Prammanasudhi, who is not playing in the Tournament of Champions.

"I'm trying my hardest not to think about that," Diaz said. "I'm just trying to play the best golf I can, and if I play well and get to play next week, then great. It's an honor to be in the top 30 and play in that great tournament. My goal is to make the Hall of Fame and you do that by winning tournaments. I'm trying to keep it all in perspective. I've got 36 more holes to make birds."

Diaz closed with three birdies to finish two rounds with an 11-under 133 total on Magnolia Grove's Crossings Course.

Former LPGA coach Heather Daly-Donofrio (66) was two strokes back, and Teresa Delon (68) and Christina Kim (70) were three shots behind.

## Leonard, Fleish team takes lead in Franklin Templeton

NAPLES, Fla. — Justin Leonard and Steve Fleish combined for a 9-under 63 and a one-stroke lead over Hank Kuehne and Jeff Sluman on Friday after the first round of the Franklin Templeton Shootout.

Greg Norman and Scott McCarron had a 7-under 65 in the modified alternate-shot format, tied with John Daly and Rory Sabbatini.

Anastasia Myskina, above, defeated top-seeded Lindsay Davenport 7-6 (5), 6-4 in the WTA Championships in Los Angeles on Friday.

## Davenport upset by Myskina

**Mauresmo still has chance to reclaim No. 1**

BY BETH HARRIS

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — French Open champion Anastasia Myskina upset Lindsay Davenport 7-6 (7-5), 6-4 in the WTA Championships on Friday night, which she topped the American's hold on the No. 1 ranking.

Davenport owns a 351-point lead over No. 2 Amelie Mauresmo, who still has a chance to regain the top spot she held for five weeks after the U.S. Open. Davenport needed to reach Monday night's final to guarantee she would end the year at No. 1 for the third time in her career.

"If I finish the year two, it's been a great year," said Davenport, who owns a four-leading seven titles this year. "If I finish one, great. If she plays well here and wins it, she absolutely deserves it."

Mauresmo beat U.S. Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-3, 6-2 for the fourth time this year and still has a chance to take away Davenport's ranking despite never winning a Grand Slam.

Wimbledon champion Maria Sharapova eliminated Vera Zvonareva with a 6-4, 7-5 victory. Playing in the tournament for the first time, Zvonareva finished last in her four-woman group with an 0-3 record.

Sharapova improved to 2-0 and has yet to drop a set.

"I got my whole game together," she said. "When you have some confidence, if you're down a break point, you can still come back."

She was to play Mauresmo, also 2-0, on Saturday, although both women already have qualified for the semifinals.

# Warren warned over Roethlisberger comments

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — The NFL warned Cleveland Browns defensive tackle Gerard Warren for comments he made last night to hit Pittsburgh quarterback Ben Roethlisberger in the head during Sunday's game.

"We notified the team, including Gerard Warren, that if a player commits a flagrant foul after making such a statement, it may be a decisive factor supporting the suspension of the player, despite the entire set of circumstances," NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said.

Warren told reporters Thursday that the Browns needed to ratify Roethlisberger.

"One rule they used to tell me: Kill the head and the body's dead," Warren said.

He said if the Browns can shake the confidence of Pittsburgh's rookie, they might be able to stun the Steelers.

"I didn't say knock him out of the game, I said just go across his head a time or two," said Warren, who was fined \$35,000 in his rookie season for a cheap shot on former Jacksonville quarterback Mark Brunell.

Asked if Warren's history factored into the warning, Aiello said it's "standard procedure if comments of that nature are made."

On Friday, Warren said he was not speaking for the Cleveland organization.

"People might have taken it in the wrong sense," he said.

"That's just me and trying to the way I approach football. I

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play it on a violent level and it's a violent game."

Warren, who has battled injuries, has just six tackles and two sacks in four games this season.

## Steelers running back Staley remains questionable

PITTSBURGH — Pittsburgh Steelers running back Duce Staley missed practice for the third straight day Friday with a sore hamstring and remains questionable for Sunday's game in Cleveland.

Staley was coming off four 100-yard games in a five-game span before missing last Sunday's 27-3 victory over Philadelphia with the same injury. Jerome Bettis replaced Staley and ran for 149 yards on 33 carries — his most productive game in three seasons.

Verron Haynes, who often replaces Staley on third downs, was held out again Friday with a turf toe. Haynes is listed as doubtful. Rookie free agent Willie Parker is expected to step in if Haynes can't play.

Fullback Dan Kreider remains questionable with a hip flexor injury, but practiced Friday for the first time this week.

## Panthers RB Davis placed on injured reserve

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — The Carolina Panthers placed Stephen Davis on injured reserve

on Saturday, their third running back to be lost for the season.

Davis has played in just two games this season after arthroscopic surgery Sept. 17 to clean out torn cartilage from his knee. He's tried to get back on the field several times since, but his knee would swell after every practice.

He now joins backup running

back DeShaun Foster (broken collarbone) and third-stringer Rod Smith (knee) on the injured list. In all, Carolina (1-7) has 11 players out for the year.

But they're hardest hit in the backfield, where rookie Joey Harris started last week after beginning the season on the practice squad.

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# Stackhouse pays big dividends coming off the bench for Stars

The Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jerry Stackhouse hit all five of his third-quarter shots and scored a season-high 28 points Saturday, leading Dallas to a 94-78 victory over the New Jersey Nets.

"That was fun," said Stackhouse, a starter for most of his nine-plus NBA seasons. "We weren't really doing anything different. The game dictated that I would get some opportunities. It is always good to see the ball go in the hole."

Acquired from Washington in the offseason to give Dallas a threat off the bench, Stackhouse came in shooting only 36 percent. On Saturday, however, Stackhouse hit 10 of 18 shots and all seven of his free throws in 40 minutes.

Dirk Nowitzki added 31 points, seven rebounds and seven assists for Dallas. Richard Jefferson had 28 points and 10 rebounds for the Nets.

**Cavaliers 105, Wizards 74:** At Cleveland, LeBron James scored 24 points and 24 rebounds and 14 assists as the Cavaliers won their third straight. Drew Gooden added 15 rebounds and 14 points and Jeff McInnis had 13 points and 11 assists for the Cavaliers.

James scored nine of the Cavs' first 11 in the fourth quarter.

Gilbert Arenas scored 25 points and Antawn Jamison had 14 points and nine rebounds for Washington, which was held to 28 points under its average.

In Friday's games:

**76ers 106, Pacers 104:** At Philadelphia, Allen Iverson sank the first buzzer-beating shot of his nine-year career, a 14-footer in overtime, and scored 15 points to lead Philadelphia.

Kyle Korver made seven three-pointers and scored a career-high 23 points. Marc Jackson had 20 points and 10 rebounds, and John Salmons and Corliss Williamson each scored 15 points for the Sixers. Williams's Ron Artest, benched for two games for asking for time off because of his busy schedule—including producing an R&B album and working on his side career as a rapper—scored 29 points and had a flagrant foul late in the fourth quarter. Jermaine O'Neal had 23 points, eight rebounds, 39 points, and Stephen Jackson 17 for Indiana.

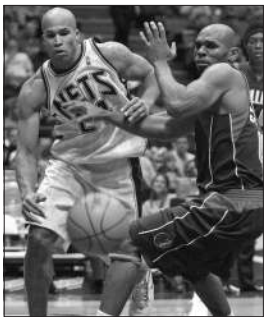
**Magic 122, Lakers 113:** At Orlando, Fla., Steve Francis scored a season-high 32 points, and Grant Hill added 27 points and 12 rebounds to rally Orlando over Los Angeles.

The Magic, down 29-21 early in the second quarter, used an impressive performance from Francis and another encouraging outburst from Hill to get back in the game.

Kobe Bryant led the Lakers with a season-high 41 points on 14-for-31 shooting. He was 11-for-12 from the free throw line.

**Spurs 93, Heat 84:** Manu Ginobili scored 29 points and Hsien Stackhouse held longtime nemesis Shaquille O'Neal scoreless down the stretch. O'Neal had 23 points and 21 rebounds.

Tony Parker had 18 points and Tim Duncan added 17 points and 13 rebounds for the Spurs in coach Gregg Popovich's 400th win with the team.



The New Jersey Nets' Richard Jefferson, left, and Dallas' Jerry Stackhouse scramble after a loose ball during the second quarter of Saturday's game in East Rutherford, N.J. Dallas beat the Nets 94-78.

**Knicks 110, Clippers 96:** At New York, Stephen Marbury had 21 points, 10 assists and seven rebounds before sitting out the fourth quarter. Jamal Crawford added 19 points, Tim Thomas had 15, Michael Sweetney 14 and Jerome Williams 12 for the Knicks, who reached 100 points with more than eight minutes left.

**Celtics 91, Bobcats 74:** At Boston, Gary Payton scored 10 of his 15 points in the third quarter to help the Celtics win their third straight. Ricky Davis added 19 points for Boston. Eddie House added 15 points for the expansion Bobcats, 0-2 on the road and 1-3 overall.

**Grizzlies 96, Warriors 67:** At Memphis, Tenn., Pau Gasol had 14 points and 11 rebounds to lift the Grizzlies past winless Golden State. The Warriors (0-6) have their worst 99th season. The Warriors shot 27.5 percent from the field.

**Hawks 96, Hornets 95:** Antoine Walker scored 27 points as Atlanta beat New Orleans in a game matching winless teams.

Kenry Anderson and Al Harrington each added 17 points for Atlanta. The Hornets have lost five straight under new coach Byron Scott, matching the worst season-opening record in franchise history.

**SuperSonics 88, Raptors 87:** At Seattle, the SuperSonics' Antonio Daniels hit a driving 8-foot shot with 7.2 seconds left, and Toronto's Vince Carter missed a reverse layup as time expired.

Ray Allen led Seattle (5-1) with 29 points. Chris Bosh scored 19 points for the Raptors.

## NBA scoreboard

### Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division	Pct	GB
Toronto	4	667
Indiana	3	560
Philadelphia	3	500
New York	2	333

Southeast Division	Pct	GB
Miami	4	667
Orlando	2	567
Washington	3	500
Charlotte	1	250
Atlanta	1	250

Central Division	Pct	GB
Indiana	4	667
Milwaukee	2	567
Memphis	3	500
Cleveland	3	500
Chicago	0	300

West Conference	Pct	GB
Dallas	6	857
San Antonio	1	800
Houston	3	500
Memphis	1	333
New Orleans	0	500

Southeast Division	Pct	GB
Seattle	5	833
Minnesota	2	600
Portland	4	400
Denver	2	333

Pacific Division	Pct	GB
Phoenix	1	800
L.A. Clippers	3	500
L.A. Lakers	3	500
Sacramento	1	200
Golden State	1	200

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Orlando 122, L.A. Lakers 113		
Boston 91, Charlotte 74		
San Antonio 88, Indiana 84		
New York 110, L.A. Clippers 96		
Memphis 96, Golden State 87		
Seattle 96, New Orleans 87		

Saturday's games	Pct	GB
Cleveland 105, Washington 74		
Dallas 94, New Jersey 78		
Golden State 96, Atlanta 74		
Golden State 96, Charlotte 74		
San Antonio 88, Indiana 84		
New York 110, L.A. Clippers 96		
Memphis 96, Golden State 87		
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Sunday's games	Pct	GB
Dallas at Washington		
Milwaukee at Miami		
Memphis at Seattle		
Denver at Sacramento		
Golden State at Cleveland		
Houston at New York		

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Celtics 91, Bobcats 74		

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Grizzlies 96, Warriors 67		
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Atlanta 96, Nets 84		

Three-Point Goals	Pct	GB
Orlando 12, L.A. Lakers 8		
Boston 9, Charlotte 7		
San Antonio 8, Indiana 4		
New York 10, L.A. Clippers 6		
Memphis 9, Golden State 5		
Seattle 9, New Orleans 5		

Rebounds	Pct	GB
Orlando 32, L.A. Lakers 28		
Boston 31, Charlotte 27		
San Antonio 30, Indiana 24		
New York 34, L.A. Clippers 28		
Memphis 30, Golden State 25		
Seattle 30, New Orleans 25		

Assists	Pct	GB
Orlando 22, L.A. Lakers 18		
Boston 19, Charlotte 15		
San Antonio 20, Indiana 14		
New York 24, L.A. Clippers 18		
Memphis 20, Golden State 15		
Seattle 20, New Orleans 15		

Steals	Pct	GB
Orlando 10, L.A. Lakers 8		
Boston 8, Charlotte 6		
San Antonio 9, Indiana 6		
New York 11, L.A. Clippers 8		
Memphis 9, Golden State 6		
Seattle 9, New Orleans 6		

Blocks	Pct	GB
Orlando 5, L.A. Lakers 3		
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# Wizards, United traveled tough road to MLS Cup

BY KEN PETERS  
The Associated Press

CARSON, Calif. — The Kansas City Wizards and D.C. United plan to play the same scrappy style in the MLS championship game they used to get that far.

"This team has been counted out," Kansas City midfielder Diego Gutierrez said Tuesday. "But the team always had personality and character."

The Wizards overcame injuries, critics, and a tough playoff road to reach Sunday's MLS Cup.

Kansas City defeated the Los Angeles Galaxy in the Western Conference final after knocking off defending champion San Jose.

The Wizards advanced with a victory in the second game of the two-game, aggregate-goal series.

The Wizards are attempting to become the third MLS team to win the U.S. Open Cup and MLS Cup in one season.

"We had veterans and young players, and what we tried to do all year was to get points, get the home-field advantage, and to walk off with two trophies at the end of the year," Gutierrez said.

United advanced to the MLS Cup with a 4-3 victory over New England that went to penalty kicks, and the victory wasn't secured until goalkeeper Nick Rimando stopped the Revolution's third kick.

D.C. players plan to deny the Wizards the second trophy.

"I had faith in this team," said Freddy Adu, the 15-year-old phenom who had five goals and three assists as a United rookie.

"We've done so well. It's been fun to watch us grow as a team. Now one more game that we hope to win."

To do so, they will have to slow a strong attack led by Josh Wolff and David Arnaud.

Wolff had 10 goals and seven assists and Arnaud added nine goals and eight assists. Arnaud scored both goals in the clinching victory over Los Angeles.



D.C. United's Alecko Eskandarian (11) and teammates celebrate their victory over the New England Revolution in the Eastern Conference finals on Nov. 6 in Washington. United and Revolution tied 3-3 and United went on to win 4-3 on penalty kicks.

"Both of them are very exciting-type players, very crisp, very sharp," United defender Ryan Neisen said. "It's going to be a lot of fun. We know we have to keep it very tight in the back, we have a very good chance of winning."

Jaime Moreno and Alecko Eskandarian spearhead United's offense. Moreno has seven goals and 14 assists, and Eskandarian 10 goals and two assists.

D.C. coach Peter Nowak, a player on the losing side when Kansas City defeated the Chicago Fire 1-0 in the 2000 MLS Cup, said his team will try to approach the game as business as usual.

"They [the Wizards] have very good experience, a couple of guys who won the championship," Nowak said. "But we have to take care of ourselves first. We have to stick with our plan and find a way to win the Cup."

Kansas City coach Bob Gansler said his team has undergone a bit of an evolution in the way it's played this year.

"It's the guys on the field who prevail," Gansler said. "I don't think it has much to do with the guys biting their fingernails on the sidelines."

# Curry says he wants to stay with Bulls

The Associated Press

DEERFIELD, Ill. — Eddy Curry might want to think twice before venturing to his agents again.

Curry said Friday he wants to stay with his hometown Chicago Bulls, blaming his agents for turning his private complaints into a public demand for a trade and adding chaos to a team that already has more than enough.

"I'm not trying to go nowhere," Curry said after the Bulls' practice. "There's no way I want to leave Chicago, under no circumstances. Right now, I'm just trying to get all this past me and move forward."

The drama began Tuesday night with Curry's first game of the season. Despite losing more than 30 pounds over the summer and working hard on his game, Curry again looked lost. He didn't take a shot until the second quarter, didn't play in the fourth and finished with six rebounds and three points on 1-for-8 shooting.

Curry and the rest of the Bulls were showered with boos during the 94-74 loss to the Suns, which dropped them to 0-3.

Curry said he talked to agents, Darren White and Lamont Carter, after the game as he usually does.

"I just told them I was upset. That was just how I was feeling,"

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Curry said. "I just was talking to them like I would anybody I felt was close to me. I'm frustrated and all of this, and 'Losing and this and that and this and that.' I just didn't expect for it to get out."

He awoke Thursday to learn that White was asking the Bulls to trade their 7-foot center, drafted out of high school with Tyson Chandler in 2001 to be the cornerstones of the next dynasty.

Only White hadn't gone to Paxson with his trade demand. He'd gone to the Chicago Sun-Times.

"I couldn't believe it. I couldn't believe it," Curry said. "I definitely had a few choice words for them yesterday. I said it was something that was definitely out of order. ... I never meant for it to get out like that."

## Robinson fails physical, to undergo surgery

NEW YORK — Free agent forward Eddie Robinson failed a physical Friday with the New York Knicks, who were set to sign him to a \$1.3 million contract for the remainder of this season.

Robinson, who has a bone growth disorder in his toe, has decided to undergo surgery that will sideline him from six weeks to three months.



Eddy Curry

# BC tops W. Virginia, jumps into BCS hunt

## Eagles return two punts for TDs

BY JOHN RABY

The Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Defense has been Boston College's strength this season. When that didn't work on Saturday, a superb performance on special teams kept the Eagles in the hunt for their first Big East championship.

Paul Peterson threw two first-half touchdown passes and No. 21 Boston College returned two punts for scores to beat No. 13 West Virginia 36-17 Saturday.

Boston College (7-2, 3-1 Big East) can earn a share of the conference title by beating Temple and Syracuse in its final season before moving to the Atlantic Coast Conference next year.

"It is a huge leap for our program and school," said Boston College coach Tom O'Brien, whose team hadn't won in Morgantown since 1990.

The Mountaineers (8-2, 4-1) squandered a chance to clinch their first BCS bid and a tie for a second straight conference title.

West Virginia lost in November for the first time under fourth-year coach Rich Rodriguez. It had 10 wins in 10 games, conference and home winning streaks broken.

"We had destiny in our hands today. That's what is disappointing," Rodriguez said. "We didn't play like a good team. It will probably make us sick to watch the film."

It was supposed to be a battle between West Virginia's potent rushing attack and the Big East's top defense. Though West Virginia outgained Boston College 452-243, the contest was decided by special teams.

DeJuan Tribble returned a first-quarter punt 41 yards for a score and Will Blackmon went 71 yards for a TD with a punt return in the fourth quarter. They were the first punt returns for scores by the Eagles in two years.

"That was the defining factor," O'Brien said. "The two punt returns were huge. We broke some tackles and after that they were not going to catch us."

Eagles freshman Ryan Ohliger kicked field goals of 44, 47 and 36 yards.



Boston College running back Andre Callender (32) breaks away from West Virginia's Jay Henry on Saturday in Morgantown, W. Va.

Boston College quieted a capacity crowd with several long kick-off returns and pinned West Virginia deep in its own territory on many punts and kickoffs.

The Mountaineers fumbled the second-half kickoff, leading to an Ohliger field goal for a 27-7 lead.

"Special teams were embarrassing," Rodriguez said. "Every time they started with the ball on offense, they had the ball past midfield. Every time we started the ball on offense, it seemed like we had to go 90 [yards]."

West Virginia worked too methodically to mount a comeback. An 18-play drive ended with Rasheed Marshall's 6-yard scoring pass to Chris Henry at the end of the third quarter.

That gave Henry a school-record 12 TD catches this season, breaking the mark of 11 set by Reggie Rempert in 1989.

Henry had catches of 41 and 20 yards on West Virginia's next drive, but the Eagles defense stopped the drive inside the BC 10.

Peterson was 18-for-30 for 162 yards, including a 10-yard TD pass to L.V. Whitworth on Boston College's first possession and a 1-yard scoring toss to David Kasheta just before halftime for a 24-7 lead.

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# No. 6 Longhorns forced to make late comeback again

The Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Vince Young scored on an 18-yard run with 4:11 left and threw a 22-yard TD pass to Tony Jeffery with 11 seconds remaining to rally No. 6 Texas past Kansas 27-23 Saturday.

Kansas, a 22-point underdog, took a 23-13 lead with 7:41 left after a 1-yard touchdown pass from Brian Luke to Lionel Anderson.

But the Jayhawks (3-7, 1-6 Big 12) were denied their biggest victory in nearly a decade by the play of Young.

On the ensuing drive for Texas (9-1, 6-1), Young scrambled for

22 yards on a fourth-and-18 and then completed the 87-yard drive with his 18-yard scoring run.

After forcing Kansas to punt, Young connected with Jeffery for the winning touchdown.

The win would have been biggest for the Jayhawks since they beat No. 4 Colorado 40-24 in 1995.

It was the second come-from-behind effort in two weeks for Texas, which rallied from a 35-7 deficit to beat Oklahoma State 56-35 in the biggest comeback in school history.

Young finished 22-for-40 for 289 yards and added 114 yards on the ground. Cedric Benson, the Big 12's leading rusher, had 161



Top 25

yards on 28 carries and set an NCAA record with his 36th game with a touchdown when he went in from 18 yards out in the second quarter.

Fourth-string quarterback Brian Luke came into the game in the third quarter when starter John Nielsen was hurt, the third Kansas quarterback in three weeks to go down with an injury. Luke finished 14-for-25 for 225 yards and one touchdown.

No. 9 Michigan 42, Northwest-

ern 20: At Ann Arbor, Mich., Michael Hart ran for 151 yards and a season-high three touchdowns, and Michigan scored TDs the first five times it touched the ball in the second half.

The Wolverines (9-1, 7-0 Big Ten) led the Wildcats by only one point at halftime before turning the game into a rout with scores on the ground, through the air and on a punt return. They have won 15 straight games at home and 13 conference games in a row.

No. 19 Iowa 29, Minnesota 27: At Minneapolis, Ryan Lloyd's 51-yard field goal try drifted left with 28 seconds remaining, allowing the Hawkeyes to hold on for their sixth straight victory.

Drew Tate completed 24 of 39 passes for 333 yards and two touchdowns for Iowa (8-2, 6-1). Charles Solomon had nine receptions for 157 yards and a score.

The Gophers (6-5, 3-5) finished the regular season by losing five of six.

No. 25 Oklahoma St 42, Baylor 21: At Stillwater, Okla., Seymour Shaw was a solid replacement for the injured Vernand Morency, rushing for 172 yards and a touchdown on 30 carries for Oklahoma State.

Donovan Woods threw for two touchdowns and rushed for another as the Cowboys (7-3, 4-3 Big 12) beat the Bears for the ninth straight time.



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# No. 14 Boise St. averts upset

## Double-OT win at San Jose St. extends win streak to 20

BY GREG BEACHAM

The Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Jon Helmandollar scored his third touchdown in the second overtime, and the No. 14 Boise State extended the nation's longest winning streak to 20 games with a 56-49 victory over San Jose State on Saturday.

Jared Zabransky passed for 200 yards and scored one of eight rushing touchdowns by the Broncos (9-0, 6-0 WAC), who hung on despite committing 14 penalties.

Lance Martin's 1-yard drive tied the score for San Jose State with 4:42 left in regulation. Jeff Carr's 30-yard field goal attempt was blocked with 1:07 left in regulation for the Spartans (2-7, 1-5).

Martin rushed for 112 yards, including a 16-yard score on San Jose State's first overtime possession. Lee Marks, who finished with 140 yards rushing, replied with a 12-yard TD run for Boise State.

After Helmandollar's 1-yard

scoring rush in the second overtime, cornerback Gabe Franklin drove San Jose State quarterback Adam Tafaalis out of bounds at the 4 on fourth down.

The Broncos rushed for 280 yards, but also revealed significant flaws in their defense, special teams and discipline. The blocked field goal thwarted the Spartans, who lost their fifth straight and allowed at least 36 points for the seventh time this season.

Dale Rogers passed for 149 yards and rushed for two scores for the Spartans, who thrived with a big-play offense, two interchangeable quarterbacks and a bit of trickery that included a touchdown on a fake field goal. Rufus Skilleen caught 10 passes for 167 yards, including a 79-yard TD catch.

There appeared to be less than 5,000 fans in the stands for the earliest game in Spartan Stadium's history. The teams kicked off shortly after 9 a.m. PST to ac-

commodate a national television broadcast. San Jose State mascot Sparty wore pajamas and a bathrobe.

The Broncos' defense definitely missed a wakeup call. San Jose State took a 14-7 lead in the first quarter with Rogers' 69-yard TD pass to Tyson Thompson and Tafaalis' long pass to Skilleen.

The Spartans led 35-28 midway through the third quarter after third-string quarterback Beau Pierce rushed for an 8-yard score on a fake field goal, and Bobby Godinez blocked a punt to set up Rogers' 1-yard TD drive.

But the Broncos scored two touchdowns in 90 seconds, taking the lead on Helmandollar's 3-yard run with 3:15 left in the quarter.

Boise State linebacker Corey Hall was ejected with 7:29 left in regulation for kicking a San Jose State lineman in the head, capping the Broncos' undisciplined performance with a penalty that aided the Spartans' tying drive. Boise State was penalized 118 yards.

# Jones runs wild as Arkansas routs Ole Miss

The Associated Press

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Matt Jones ran for 126 yards and a touchdown on just five carries and passed for two scores as Arkansas broke a four-game losing streak with a 35-3 victory over Mississippi on Saturday.

One of Jones' runs — for 72 yards and a touchdown — was the longest of his career. The senior was 11 of 16 through and was pulled from his last game in Fayetteville with about 5 minutes to go in the third quarter.

Junior tight end Jared Hicks also had a big game for Arkansas (4-5, 2-4 Southeastern Conference), scoring the first two touchdowns of his career.

Ole Miss (3-6, 2-4) played two quarterbacks. Ethan Flatt was 11 of 21 for 126 yards and Robert Lane was the team's leading rusher with 94 yards on nine carries.

Jones' long run came on the first play of the second half. From his own 28, Jones kicked a pitch on an option, split two defenders as he turned left and outpaced everyone down the right sideline.

In Saturday's other games:

**Kentucky 14, Vanderbilt 13:** In Lexington, Ky. Kentucky's Shane Boyd threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to Glenn Holt with 1:39 left to help the Wildcats (2-4, 1-6 SEC) stop a seven-game losing streak.

Boyd and Holt connected for two fourth-quarter touchdowns against the Commodores (2-8, 1-6), who led 13-0 after three quarters and failed to win their first SEC road game in four years.

**Georgia Tech 30, Connecticut 10:** Freshman Dajon Jones returned a blocked punt for a touchdown and knocked down another punt himself, helping host Georgia Tech (6-3) clinch a winning regular season and the opportunity to play in a bowl for the eighth consecutive year.

UConn (5-4) needs to beat either Buffalo or Rutgers in its final two games to become bowl-eligible.

**Duke 16, Clemson 13:** In Durham, N.C., Matt Brooks kicked a 33-yard field goal as time expired Saturday to rally Duke from a seven-point deficit in the final 90 seconds.

The Blue Devils (2-8, 1-6 Atlantic Coast Conference) snapped a four-game losing streak.



**Wake Forest's Chris Barclay (28), who ran for 138 yards, scores one of his two touchdowns on Saturday against North Carolina in Winston-Salem, N.C.**

Reggie Merriweather had a 3-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter for the Tigers (5-5, 4-4), who won at Miami last week.

**Penn State 22, Indiana 18:** In Bloomington, Ind., the Nittany Lions stopped Indiana for times from the 1-yard line in the final two minutes, ending a six-game losing streak.

Indiana (3-7, 1-6 Big Ten) lost its second straight overall as the Nittany Lions (3-7, 1-6) improved to 10-0 in the series.

**Temple 34, Syracuse 24:** Walter Washington ran for 185 yards and three touchdowns and threw for a TD to help Temple win in Philadelphia.

The Owls (2-8, 1-4 Big East) led 21-3 at halftime, then held on when Syracuse (5-5, 3-2) rallied in the third quarter.

**North Carolina 31, Wake Forest 24:** In Winston-Salem, N.C., Darian Durant threw a 45-yard touchdown pass to Jesse Holley in the final minute after the Demon Deacons (4-5, 1-5 ACC) rallied from two touchdowns down to tie the game.

Durant finished 18-for-36 for 225 yards and two TDs. Chad Scott also ran for a touchdown for the Tar Heels (5-5, 4-3), who finish the season against Duke.



**Fresno State tailback Bryson Sumlin breaks an 89-yard run during Friday's 70-14 victory over Hawaii. Sumlin rushed for 220 yards and three touchdowns and the Bulldogs amassed 679 yards.**

# Fresno St. flattens defenseless Hawaii

The Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. — Bryson Sumlin rushed for 220 yards and three touchdowns and Wendell Mathis added 176 yards and three scores in Fresno State's 70-14 victory over Hawaii on Friday night.

Paul Piner, Matt Rivera and Robbie Dubois also rushed for TDs for the Bulldogs (6-3, 3-3 WAC), who set a school record with 503 rushing yards. Fresno State became bowl-eligible with its third straight victory, humiliating its unfriendly conference rival with 679 yards of offense.

For Hawaii's beleaguered defense, it started ugly and never got pretty: The Bulldogs scored on seven of their first eight possessions to take a 49-0 halftime lead.

NCAA career passing leader Timmy Chang was 26-for-43 for 167 yards and a touchdown for the Warriors (4-5, 4-4), and receiver Chad Owens became Hawaii's career leader in all-purpose yards. It wasn't nearly enough to counteract the Bulldogs' running game.

Fresno State led 35-0 early in the second quarter, eclipsing its previous season high in rushing yards 12 minutes before halftime.

Sumlin and Mathis alternated long runs, and Piner passed for 160 of his 176 yards before halftime and rushed for a 1-yard score.

Hawaii's defense has been a season-long disaster, ranking near the bottom of the NCAA in several categories. But the Bulldogs took the Warriors to a new low. Boise State had 589 yards in Hawaii's 69-3 loss two weeks ago — but Fresno State had 512 at halftime, delighting the large crowd at chilly Bulldog Stadium.

The Bulldogs sent headed to a bowl game for the sixth straight year — perhaps the Emerald Bowl in San Francisco, if the Pac-10 can't qualify the requisite number of teams for bowl berths.

## College roundup

In Friday's other game:

**Memphis 30, Southern Mississippi 26:** DeAngelo Williams rushed for 199 yards and keyed a second-half comeback with two touchdowns to help host Memphis become bowl-eligible for the second straight season.

The Tigers (6-3, 3-3 Conference USA) snapped a two-game losing streak. It was the second straight loss for Southern Miss (5-3, 4-2).

Memphis trailed 26-14 before Williams scored on 4- and 75-yard runs late in the third quarter to give the Tigers the lead.

Stephen Gostkowski, who struggled against winds approaching 20 mph, connected on a 31-yard field goal with 6:51 remaining for Memphis' final points.

Golden Eagles quarterback Dustin Almond struggled, completing nine of 20 passes. One of those completions was to Autwon Courington for a 16-yard touchdown to give the Golden Eagles a 12-7 halftime lead.



**Memphis tailback DeAngelo Williams ran for 199 yards for Friday.**



## SPORTS



Stackhouse comes off the bench  
to score 28 in victory over Nets, Page 27

# Yokota's reign continues

## Panthers wallop Islanders for fifth straight Rising Sun win

BY DAVE ORNAUER

Stars and Stripes

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan — What was expected to be the closest Rising Sun Bowl in years turned into one of the most lopsided in the six-year history of the DODDS All-Japan football championships.

Chris Roach ran 17 times for 203 yards and a touchdown and returned a punt 70 yards for a score as Yokota made it "one for the thumb," winning for the fifth straight year 50-6 Saturday over the Kadena Islanders.

From the opening series, the six-time JFL and Kanto Plain champion Panthers outplayed the Islanders in nearly every department, outgaining them 404-108, not punting once and not allowing a first down until nearly halfway through the third quarter.

"Defense wins championships. Our defense shot them down," senior Kenny Harris said.

"And our offense moved the Panthers' senior lineman Shane Andersen said.

"The defense did an outstanding job of taking away the run, and getting the ball back to our offense," coach Tim Pujol said. "It wasn't perfect; we had some mistakes and missed assignments. But we had a lot more big yardage plays for our backs than I expected."

Pujol said he expected a closer contest after watching the Islanders drub the Kadena Buccaneers 37-12 on Nov. 5 in the Okinawa Activities Council title game.

"I have a lot of respect for the game plan they had on offense," Pujol said. "I have to give credit to the defense for containing the line and their backs."

Roach joined his older brother Roy (2003) as the Rising Sun Bowl MVP.

"The bigger the game, the bigger he plays," Pujol said.

Roach tipped his helmet to the line and fullback Shamarr Howell for plowing the road for him.



DAVE ORNAUER/Stars and Stripes

Yokota Panthers players and fans hold aloft the Rising Sun Bowl trophy after Saturday's 50-6 triumph over the Kadena Islanders. The JFL champions held the Okinawa Activities Council champs to 108 yards in winning their fifth straight All-Japan championship.

"The line has been blocking hard all year," he said. "They deserve the credit. I follow them. The holes were huge."

Yokota even showed some spark in the passing game. Shawn Novak went 3-for-4 for 103 yards, including touchdown passes of 64 and 21 yards to D.J. McCary.

"D.J. bailed me out on a couple of big plays," Novak said. "Everything clicked. This was the best game of my career."

The Islanders were held without a score until Stacey Madyag's 11-yard fourth-quarter touchdown pass to Arnold Tillman.

"That's a fantastic team, no doubt about it," Islanders coach Sergio Mendoza said.

He said Kadena might have given Yokota a better game had the school put its best talent on the field, instead of its traditional split-squad format.

"It's like playing with one hand behind your back," he said. "We're not surprised by the outcome. Until [we] put full squads together, this is going to be the outcome."

Will the Panthers be back to start fitting the other hand with Rising Sun Bowl rings?

"We'll have to sit back and look at who's coming back," Pujol said. "Right now, I just want to enjoy today. I'm very happy for the seniors. It's always a nice way for them to end the season."

### The Rising Sun Bowl never sets on Yokota

The Yokota Panthers have won five straight Rising Sun Bowl All-Japan championships, the past four by an average of almost 38 points.

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2000—Yokota 3, Kubasaki Samurai 0, Trowers Field, Camp Zama, Japan  
2001—Yokota 42, Kadena Buccaneers 14, McDonald Stadium, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa  
2002—Yokota 57, Kubasaki Samurai 14, Bonk Field, Yokota Air Base, Japan  
2003—Yokota 31, Kadena Buccaneers 3, McDonald Stadium, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa  
2004—Yokota 50, Kadena Islanders 6, Bonk Field, Yokota Air Base, Japan



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